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[illegible] believing that I would, she [illegible] He made me a proffer of his love. [illegible] I told him that he must [illegible] He [illegible] me to [illegible] and asked me to fly with him. [illegible] was arrested. That is the truth [illegible] He is no spy. [illegible] There must be some way of doing it when you are convinced that he did not come here on the [illegible] imputed to him."

"Is that all you wish to say?"

"Is it not enough?" she replied, a little bewildered, and feeling that her defiance was melting away.

"You are trying to deceive me. Your [illegible] I do not condemn, but the device fails. Your pity for him has impelled you to a desperate effort to save his life. You have exceeded what duty to your friend required."

"I have told you the truth, as there is a heaven above us!"

[illegible] Could this cold stern old man be the petting husband she had known? She looked at him in wonder. [illegible] You have forgotten one [illegible]—the document that he destroyed."

She felt that this was the time and the [illegible] to tell all that she had left untold. [illegible] her eyes to his face and saw [illegible] Again she resorted to [illegible] of the truth.

"[illegible] was a letter from me to him [illegible] him to seek me."

"If that be so, why should he have denied it? There is nothing in such a [illegible] the hiding of which would be [illegible] a man's life."

She [illegible] I have met this objection with [illegible] that remained unconfessed—had the letter contained her confession of love for Oliver Willett. She had [illegible] to tell that and to trust to her [illegible] and indulgent love for forgiveness. [illegible] now she was convinced that he would [illegible] forgive that one fault. She was [illegible] and ere she knew it he had quit the room.

The colonel went at once to the improvised guard house where Oliver Willett was awaiting the execution of the sentence of death. The young man had repeatedly asked himself why he had denied [illegible] the proof that he was not a spy [illegible] as often he vividly remembered his promise to Mrs. Armytage, and [illegible] the [illegible] nature of an oath that he would sooner die than reveal the secret of her love. Then he [illegible] would get upper [illegible] in his mind that he was throwing his life away in an unworthy cause [illegible] these opposing considerations [illegible] something that [illegible] his previous agitation and [illegible] from it when Col. Armytage entered.

"Mr. Willett," he said, "you have only [illegible] hours to live unless you can yet [illegible] that your errand was not that of a [illegible]"

Oliver guessed that the colonel suspected the truth and on the quick impulse of shielding the woman of his [illegible] he exclaimed: "I cannot do it. I expect to die."

"Have you no desire to live?"

"No man a stronger, but I voluntarily took upon myself a solemn obligation, and I must not be a coward because [illegible] worse has come of it."

"[illegible] you might have had some other [illegible]—a [illegible] of a lover meeting his sweetheart, for example. Was that it in your case?"

Oliver was certain now that his surmise was correct. He said as conscientiously as any man ever lied: "No."

"If it were so and you could prove it your life would be spared."

"I can prove no such thing."

"That removes a sorrow from me and [illegible] your fate. Within an hour my [illegible] told me that you were her [illegible]—that you came to see her and not [illegible] the rebels [illegible] that she [illegible] confessed the truth instead of [illegible] Oliver's only sentiment for [illegible] was pride in his own sacrifice [illegible] left him [illegible]

[illegible] later a muffled woman was in his presence. When she showed her [illegible] was so close that he felt her breath [illegible] on his cheek, and it was Mrs. Armytage who spoke. "I could not let [illegible] with the thought that I [illegible] to save you. [illegible] came to the [illegible] he would not believe me. I [illegible] to convince him that I told the truth."

It is not always true that men are [illegible] heroism than [illegible] the time of action comes. Oliver [illegible] since his interview with Col. Armytage wavered from his determination to [illegible] this woman's [illegible] He had balanced his obligation to [illegible] and [illegible] love against his own [illegible] death and which was weightiest [illegible] he scarcely been able to determine [illegible] the powerful influence of her presence and in the knowledge [illegible] appreciated and loved him he [illegible] in his purpose of keeping his vow. He said very quietly: "Your husband has been here."

"And told you what I said?"

"Yes."

"You assured him that it was true? They will believe it, and you will be saved!" She waited with affright for his answer. She honestly believed that she hoped he would say "Yes," but in her mind was a shadowy, awful fear of what might be the consequences to herself.

"It is too late to alter my purpose if I would," he said, taking her hands in his and feeling that they were hot and nervous. "Your letter is destroyed. If I were to tell its contents now I would not be believed. I have thought it all over. My life is very precious to me, but mine or yours must go—for what would be left of yours worth retaining if the world regarded you as a faithless wife? I will die in the flush of a high resolve. You would linger, if I had proved cowardly in years of death. No, I have kept my oath and your secret."

When Mrs. Armytage was once again in her room, the first gray light of dawn shone into the window where she sat. Her husband had not returned. The horrible duty of the execution of the court martial's sentence devolved on him, and, although he assigned its details to a staff officer, it added to his other activities of the night and kept him away from her. Soon she heard the beat of a muffled drum, marking the tread of marching feet. Looking out through the shutters, she saw a company of fifty soldiers coming down the street.

In their midst was Oliver Willett.

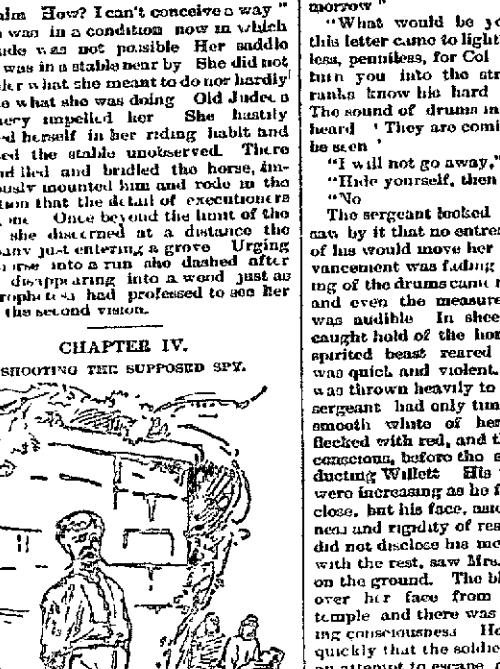
The first vision of Old Judee was realized. The prophecies of the negress had not been recalled by the distracted woman, but now she felt that Oliver's march to death had been foretold. With a dumb still sense of despair for her lover she watched the dreadful procession until it passed beyond her sight and hearing.

"What was it that old Judee told me?" she exclaimed. "I remember. She saw me riding on horseback toward a wood. She heard me say that I must save him. How? I can't conceive a way."

She was in a condition now in which quietude was not possible. Her saddle horse was in a stable near by. She did not consider what she meant to do nor hardly realize what she was doing. Old Judee's prophecy impelled her. She hastily dressed herself in her riding habit and reached the stable unobserved. There she saddled and bridled the horse, impetuously mounted him and rode in the direction that the detail of executioners had gone. Once beyond the limit of the town she discerned at a distance the company just entering a grove. Urging her horse into a run she dashed after them disappearing into a wood just as the prophetess had professed to see her do in the second vision.

CHAPTER IV.

SHOOTING THE SUPPOSED SPY.



She opened her eyes and saw Oliver facing the ready muskets.

The place selected for the execution of the [illegible] Oliver Willett was in a grove two miles from the town. The motive in the selection was to have the spot as near as possible to the section inhabited by southern sympathizers that the fate of the supposed spy might [illegible] become known among them. The first of those directly interested in the [illegible] arrival on the ground was Mrs. Armytage. She knew the spot chosen, and she reached it by a detour on her [illegible] of the soldiers afoot. She sat still on her horse and hearing the [illegible] marveling that they [illegible] at such a dreadful time. Pleasant [illegible] to her shamefully out of keeping with the occasion. She tried to [illegible] of action on behalf of her [illegible] One thing alone she had not considered [illegible] her husband—that Oliver's love of her had been reciprocated by her [illegible] she publicly avow it? What good [illegible] it do?

"You here, ma'am?"

She turned and saw Sergt. Erickson. He was a soldier of the regular army, and had for several years been in her husband's regiment. He continued: "You will be seen if you stay. The prisoner and the squad—the firing squad, ma'am—aren't more'n five minutes away. Your husband's coming too. I beg pardon, but I didn't suppose you wanted him to find you here."

"I do not care," she said impassively.

"Well, ma'am, you said—at least I know, young Willett's your lover, and I—"

"You are ready enough to ascribe the worst to my interest in him. I wish my husband would be as uncharitable."

She was speaking meditatively, but seeing that her words puzzled the sergeant she added: "I would at this instant give all I possess for proof of what you are so ready to believe."

"I can give it to you," and the sergeant displayed the letter that had drawn Oliver to the city that had been partly burned and hidden and that he had given to Maj. Dunn. He held it up so that Mrs. Armytage could see it, and asked: "Isn't this your letter to your lover?"

"Yes," she eagerly answered. "How did you get it?"

"I got it where he hid it after he had [illegible] it." She reached for it but he drew it away.

"Excuse me, ma'am. I'm a man that sees in an [illegible] chance before him to rise in the world. I did a service for you last night and I [illegible] under promise to [illegible] pay me with a promotion in the army. They've got the prisoner who was in my charge, and you agreed to have your husband make a captain of me."

"And I will keep my promise."

"I've got no right to doubt you, ma'am, but a man's first duty is to look out for his own interest. That mayn't be Scripture, but it's sense. To put it plain," and here he rested his hand on his horse's mane and went closer to her, "it seems to me as if this letter's a kind of a written note payable on demand—payable in promotion on demand. Of course I don't understand it all, but I do know this is a love letter from Col. Armytage's wife to this young man that's going to be shot. Before I got it I had your bare word that I'd be made a captain. Now I hold something that'll compel you to keep your promise."

"Sergeant, hear me." There was not a trace of discomposure in her manner, but her brilliant eyes seemed to the soldier to be blazing at him. "You reason shrewdly, yet you are at fault. You think I dread your showing that letter to my husband. You are mistaken. If I had it, I would put it in his hands myself. The man they are going to shoot is not a spy. He came to meet me, and he is going to die because he has suppressed this evidence. That letter is proof of the truth, and I would use it if I could for his salvation and my destruction."

"Your destruction?"

"Yes, but what of that?"

"I'll tell you what of it, ma'am, so far as it concerns me." The sergeant had been dumfounded at first by her avowal, but he had, nevertheless, comprehended the new bearing of the letter. "If your husband discarded you, how could you pay me what you owe me? Where'd be your power to have me promoted?"

She still sat calmly on her horse, but her eyes were so burning in their gaze that the sergeant no longer dared to meet them.

"Will you let an innocent man be shot when you can save him?" she asked.

"He deserves it, doesn't he?" and the sergeant's lack of confidence in his argument was shown by his retreating a step. "It's not for me to go betwixt him and his resolution."

"Give me the letter, I implore. You see that it will give you no power over me, for I only desire to make it public."

"You do now, ma'am," and the sergeant's tone gained boldness as his argument grew logical, "but you will not after your lover is dead—when no good to him could come of your disgrace. Then it will be worth to me"—

"How much? Name the sum and I will pay it."

"You haven't enough money with you, ma'am."

"I can obtain it. You shall be paid to-morrow."

"What would be your to-morrow if this letter came to light? You'd be homeless, penniless, for Col. Armytage would turn you into the street. We in the ranks know his hard side—you don't." The sound of drums in the distance was heard. "They are coming, you must not be seen."

"I will not go away," she said, firmly.

"Hide yourself, then."

"No."

The sergeant looked at her face, and saw by it that no entreaty or command of his would move her. His hope of advancement was fading away. The beating of the drums came nearer and nearer, and even the measured tramp of feet was audible. In sheer desperation he caught hold of the horse's bridle. The spirited beast reared. The movement was quick and violent. Mrs. Armytage was thrown heavily to the ground. The sergeant had only time to see that the smooth white of her forehead was flecked with red, and that she was unconscious, before the soldiers came conducting Willett. His terror and dread were increasing as he felt that death was close, but his face, aside from its whiteness and rigidity of resolute expression, did not disclose his mental agony. He, with the rest, saw Mrs. Armytage lying on the ground. The blood was trickling over her face from a cut near her temple and there was no sign of returning consciousness. He went to her so quickly that the soldiers thought it was an attempt to escape and muskets were leveled at him in a twinkling but no hindrance was made to his gently lifting her.

She lay on his breast with her head on his shoulder, and his arms sustainingly around her—an instant so and then Col. Armytage was there, looking on in astonishment. But the brief time had been sufficient for a strong effect on Oliver. The helplessness of the unconscious woman, the face so close that he might have kissed the parted lips, the belief that she had come to the place of execution to save him if she could—these things aroused him out of the awful fear of death into which he had been sinking and made his heart burn with heroic resolution.

Col. Armytage stood mute at the sight of his wife in Oliver's arms and, in a mistaken feeling of anger, he muttered a curse. The wound on her forehead, however, partly explained, and the sergeant only added that she had been thrown from her horse. She was gently put on the ground again and a drummer was hurried off for water.

It was only natural that the accident to Mrs. Armytage should seem, even to the colonel, of small comparative consequence. The deliberate shooting of a human being was a horror that was not to be crowded out of minds by an event that at a time less fraught with thrilling interest would have been exciting in itself.

The colonel dispatched a messenger for a physician, saw for himself that his wife's hurt was not very serious, and then turned to Oliver.

"I would not have come here," he said in a tone too low for anybody but Oliver to understand, "but that I wanted to give you a last opportunity to prove your innocence if you could. I will take on myself the responsibility of delaying this execution on your assurance that you are not a spy." He pointed to the woman at their feet, and continued: "Perhaps it is her persistent friendship that moves me to make this offer."

Her friendship. Oliver knew it was her love. His thoughts ran fast like those of a drowning man, leading him like a flash through his terror of death, through his adoration of her, through his following of her after she had forbidden him, and so to his own promise.

"I will sooner part with life than your secret."

"You hesitate," said Col. Armytage.

Mrs. Armytage uttered a low moaning—the first indication of returning consciousness.

"I must not hesitate!" Oliver exclaimed, with some impetuousness of manner. "The cause that I serve will not permit me to waver in my duty."

"Is there anything I can do for you—a message I can bear to your family?"

"My poor sister—she will be left alone. Her heart will be broken. Where is she?"

"The sad news was sent to her several hours ago."

Oliver thought it was strange, knowing her strength of resolution and love, that she did not come to bid him farewell. He gave to Col. Armytage a goodby message for her, and the two men shook hands.

Preparations for the killing of Oliver Willett were swift and simple. Much of the celerity was due to the sergeant, who glanced often uneasily at Mrs. Armytage, fearing she would become conscious before the deadly volley had been fired. The twenty musket bearers were ranged and Oliver was made to stand in readiness. He requested to face the executioners, with eyes unbandaged, and was indulged. At the same time, under Col. Armytage's direction, Mrs. Armytage was lifted by two of the drummers to be carried a short distance away. The colonel was glad of a reason for avoiding the death sight and the excuse was good, for his wife was fast coming to consciousness. He had barely turned his back, however, before he heard a new voice, that of Tudor Bowne, who did not go to Oliver at first, but addressed Col. Armytage.

"I come to ask a favor," he said. "Friends of Oliver desire to secure his body. They await your permission."

"You have permission."

Tudor waved his hat as a signal to eight men to approach from where at a distance of a hundred yards they had stopped. Then he went to Oliver, grasped his hands and said: "Good-by, old friend!" In a whisper he continued: "Heed what I say, Oliver, your life depends on it. When the command is given to fire drop instantly to the ground. Stand firm when you hear the order, 'Make ready,' don't stir at the command, 'Aim,' but fall flat on the ground just before the word 'fire.' Don't fail."

The eight men walked into the field. They carried a long, rough box, which they sat down close by. Oliver look at it and shuddered as he saw that it was a coffin.

"Are these men unarmed?" the captain in command asked.

"Search them," Tudor suggested.

The officer gave the command, "Ready!" and the muskets were leveled.

"Remember my parting words, Oliver!" Tudor shouted.

Oliver was like a stone in immovability, and almost as devoid of sensation. He thought, but not very clearly, that Tudor had resorted to a device to give him courage through a false hope. Should he drop to the ground before the fire, would he not simply prolong the ordeal and be open to the accusation of cowardice? He knew that it was owing to confidence in his bravery that he was not bound and blindfolded. Ought he to flinch?

Time and again through the night had old Judee's vision come into his mind. All the way from the guard house to this spot the tap of the drums had kept time with her words. "Marchin'—marchin'—marchin'." Upon seeing Mrs. Armytage on the ground, with her saddled horse close by, he had known of her riding to the place in accord with what the negress had professed to see in her second prophetic view. Now it flashed upon him that her third phantasm had depicted his fall before the muskets of soldiers. Was he to strive against a fate so manifestly foreordained? Or, would his voluntary prostration, as directed by Tudor, satisfy the prediction? These thoughts were almost instantaneous. His mind was suddenly as clear as crystal, and his nerves and muscles tense and strong.

"Aim!" commanded the captain.

Mrs. Armytage slid out of the arms of the men who bore her, and who had been detained by Tudor's words with the colonel. She opened her eyes and saw Oliver facing the ready muskets. She tried to scream, but could not make a sound. The colonel quickly grasped her, to turn her away from the scene that horrified her so perceptibly. Oliver saw her fall in a faint, and, even in that fateful moment, he recalled that as a part of the third vision.

"Fire!"

Oliver fell on his face, so brief an instant before the rattle of the volley that the soldiers did not know he was unhurt. Their attention, too, was startlingly diverted. Tudor and his eight companions sprang to the long box, flung off the cover and took out muskets. The amazed soldiers with empty guns, found themselves confronted like magic by these stalwart armed foes.

The first to stir was Oliver, who was quickly on his feet alive to the truth of the situation. The second was the sergeant who was on him with a drawn sword [illegible] and furiously. There was a brief wrestling struggle, and then the sergeant was on the ground, with his own sword held by Oliver at his breast. Then there was a bargain—wordless and quick but binding. The sergeant bought his life with the letter that he had refused to sell to Mrs. Armytage. He pulled it from his pocket and held it up. Oliver recognized it, and comprehended the offer. He clutched the crumpled scorched paper, and permitted the sergeant to get up.

Here the story of one August night ends—with the rescuers and the rescued starting for the near stream, where boats were ready for them with the soldiers cowed and practically unarmed gazing irresolutely at the retiring victors, and with Old Judee's reputation as a prophetess firmly established in southwestern Missouri. The reader may believe that her foresight of the marching Unionists, with Oliver as their prisoner, was a conceit inspired by her war sympathies, for she might reasonably have wished for the capture of this Confederate officer. Having thus disposed rationally of that matter, it is easy to regard Mrs. Armytage's ride as merely a circumstance caused by the prediction. But the third vision alleged by the woman—that in which Oliver fell before the discharge of musketry and Mrs. Armytage fainted at the spectacle—well, it is left in this plain story for anybody to ascribe to either singular coincidence or veritable witchery, as he pleases.

THE END.

Unsafe.

Some people seem to have a special faculty for bumping their heads, stubbing their toes and falling over things. With the Vernons this might fairly have been called a family trait. The father, the daughter and the two boys literally went stumbling through the world, Mrs. Vernon herself being the only one whose feet did not appear to be all the time standing in slippery places.

Once there was a singular crisis of accident in the family, a veritable epidemic of it were.

Mr. Vernon gave himself a black eye on the corner of the [illegible] door, coming up from a visit to the [illegible] Hattie in opening the stubborn [illegible] doors of the library was thrown against the wall in their sudden liberation under her efforts and hurt her forehead. John rushed [illegible] at his bedroom door in the darkness [illegible] was for his slippers, and was up [illegible] full bruises, and Frank tripped over the [illegible] threshold and fell down the [illegible] stair.

Mrs. Vernon administered arnica and sympathy for two days, then she quietly made a trip to the upholsterers, and one evening that same week when her family arrived from office and school they found portieres instead of doors all through the house.

"They are very pretty, mamma," said her husband, "but why such a sudden [illegible]"

"I [illegible] wanted them myself," answered Mrs. Vernon, "but I felt at last that they had become a necessity. Dear, literal old Mrs. H[illegible] was [illegible] to see me the day after you [illegible] got hurt, and I was giving her an account of your woes, and she said: 'Well now I must say, Mrs. Vernon, that with a family like yours doors are dreadful dangerous things to have in the house!'"

"And so," laughed her husband, "the portieres are put in to protect us from the dangerous doors!"—Youth's Companion.

Children of the Future.

It is a dreadful point about microbes that the only way to avoid having them in a virulent form is to have them in an artificial or attenuated form. The children of the future will not run through the present gamut of infantile disease, but they will probably be subjected to inoculation with various microbes every few months. First, they will be vaccinated for smallpox, when they have recovered from that they will be taken to a Pasteur institute to have a mild form of rabies. Next they will be given a dose of the comma bacilli to prevent cholera, and so on through all the evergrowing series of disease microbes. Oh! luckless child of the future! you will never be ill and never be well, your health will be awfully monotonous, you will never know the weariness of the first night of measles, when it was so nice to lie in mother's lap and feel her cool hand on your forehead, you will never know the joys of convalescence, when oranges were numerous and every one was kind to you because you were not well, and your end will be to die of debility. How glad we are that we live in the present, with all its ups and downs of health to lend variety to life and death.—Hospital.

Foreign and Home Production.

When your external profits come to [illegible] in the form and substance of competing products, which (by a cheapness [illegible] natural to our climate) destroy home production, you are only gaining with the [illegible] hand what you are losing from the [illegible], with the prospect of an insecure future, since production abroad can never be under control as can that within your own borders.—Fair Trade, London.

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ROSES AND PEARLS.

Susan Wilde was in a deep quandary.

Her aunt, Mrs. Gladstone, was working an embroidery pattern at the opposite end of the room. On a stand in front of Susan lay a necklace of pearls and a simple white rose.

The rose and the pearls were each accompanied with a separate note. They had both been presented to her by special messengers within the last half hour.

DEAR SUSAN—Will you wear this rose on your bosom this evening? If there is any room for hope for one who loves you truly and devotedly?
HENRY JOY.

The second read as follows:

DEAR MISS WILDE—If you feel that you can ever love me with one-half the ardor and intensity that I do you, please acknowledge the sweet truth by accepting the pearls and wearing them at Mrs. Gladstone's reception this evening.
ARTHUR FLOYD.

And these two missives were the source of the quandary into which Susan Wilde, the acknowledged belle of Springvale, had so naturally and insensibly fallen. Arthur Floyd was of the firm of "Floyd & Son," dry goods merchants, while Henry Joy was simply a salaried clerk in the establishment of the aforesaid firm. The young men were of about the same age, both intellectual, well educated and good looking. They had been classmates at the same university, and young Joy owed his present position in the establishment to the influence of his friend, Arthur. Both were madly in love with Susan Wilde, the beautiful orphan niece of wealthy and aristocratic Mrs. Gladstone, who had come to reside at Springvale after the death of her husband who was reputed to be worth his millions. Mrs. Gladstone was still of a marriageable age, being but a trifle over 40, and remarkably healthy and young looking. Mr. Gladstone had left his property equally divided between herself and step son, a sophomore in Harvard.

Susan was an only child of an elder sister who had died some years before, leaving her offspring to Mrs. Gladstone's care.

Her father had left some property, which her mother, through tact and economy had very materially increased, so that at the time of her death Susan was left quite an heiress, having an unencumbered farm and some four or five thousand dollars at interest. Neither of the young men had concealed from the other his passion for Susan Wilde, and reasoning between themselves that she could make but one of the two happy in a matrimonial sense, they had jointly hit upon the above novel method of ascertaining which of the two might claim her preference, each promising to abide by the young lady's decision.

Susan had read both of the notes carefully and was now deeply pondering. They had evidently brought the young girl to a profound sense of reflection, and she saw that she must decide between the two.

Arthur Floyd, aside from his personal attractions, had abundant prospective wealth to recommend him, while Henry Joy had only intellect, beauty and fine physical powers to plead for him. With almost unlimited means at his command the former could place her in the most exalted position in society, while the latter, with no other resource than his salary, could only expect to support a wife comfortably, not ostentatiously.

"Well," said Mrs. Gladstone after a somewhat lengthy silence, "you seem to be unusually reserved on the subject of your morning's correspondence. Can't you see that your good aunty is dying with curiosity to learn the contents of the notes."

Susan looked up confusedly.

"Will you read them," she asked, "or shall I?"

"You read them, deary. You see I am busy just now with this embroidery pattern."

Susan obeyed, reading aloud what we have already submitted to the reader.

"What am I to do?" she questioned with a look of evident annoyance, although it was plain from the blush that accompanied it that she felt not a little flattered.

"Why you silly little innocent," replied Mrs. Gladstone, laughing, "it is against all rules of propriety to keep two strings to our bow after they have become so importunate. The only thing you have to do is to consider the respective claims of these two daring aspirants, and decide between them. The choice cannot be very difficult of course, when you consider their relative positions in a worldly sense."

"I know. Arthur is rich and Henry is poor."

"Yes, and the former is certainly not greatly inferior to the latter in point of beauty and intelligence. Of course you will discard the rose for the pearls?"

"I am not sure, aunty, dear. I have been pondering the matter deeply for the last five minutes. I have always prided myself that I am something of a judge of human nature. To be sure Arthur Floyd is rich and can lavish pearls, even diamonds, upon the lady of his choice, but in my knight of the white rose I recognize a natural superiority that wealth alone cannot confer. My decision, aunty, ought not to be governed wholly by the present situation, for riches you know, have wings, and aside from that I find in my poor admirer more sincerity, more strength of purpose, and a great deal less vanity and selfishness than may be found wrapped up in him who is represented by pearls."

"Surely you would not be so insane, my dear, as to resign Arthur Floyd, with his prospective wealth and recognized social standing, for a poor clerk in his employ, with nothing but his good looks to recommend him?"

"I might, aunty. A young girl is sometimes supposed to consult her heart rather than her ambition in these matters, and surely, if I allow my heart to have a voice, it will plead most potently in favor of Harry."

"Well, I have no power to control your decision," responded Mrs. Gladstone, somewhat impatiently. "I can only advise you as I think for the best. You are, of course, your own mistress, but as you make your bed, so must you expect to lie."

There was but little more said upon the subject, and that night Susan Wilde wore the white rose instead of the pearls. Arthur knew of his disappointment in season to send in his excuses to Mrs. Gladstone, for Susan had returned his present, with an appropriate declination, early in the afternoon. Indeed, Arthur had privately flattered himself that the preference would be awarded to him, in consideration of his wealth and high social standing, and to be thus set aside for one so greatly his inferior in a worldly point of view, was a source of deep chagrin and mortification to the young man.

Henry Joy, on the contrary, was in an ecstasy of happiness at sight of the simple white rose so modestly displayed upon the heaving bosom of the fond object of his heart's worship.

"I could not afford such a costly present as Arthur sent you," he said, "and therefore I had scarcely dared to hope. Had I not loved you so wildly, so madly, I should have hardly ventured to make the bold proposition to you that I did."

"I thought it a model of manly delicacy and cleverness," responded Susan, blushing, and permitting him to squeeze her hand in a most demonstrative manner.

"I felt myself very much in the condition of a drowning man," said Harry, in a tone of happy triumph. "The faint hope I had of winning you from such a rival as Arthur was the straw, figuratively speaking, at which I grasped, and lo! it buoyed me up and I gained the haven of my desires. Oh! Susan, darling, you don't know how happy your sweet promise has made me!"

"You know, Harry," said Susan, [illegible] "that I have always aimed to be a sensible and steady minded girl. When I chose you, dearest, I did not do it without reflection. In the first place I was fully sensible that I loved you the best—that there was more, in fact, worth loving in your character than in Arthur's. I have heard, on very good authority, that he sometimes drank more than was good for him; that he preferred associating with gamblers and roughs to sober, honest young men of his own age—a class whom that set characterized as 'old fashioned'—and I have often heard it whispered that he, too, indulged in the pernicious habit of gaming.

"Considering these defects, the intrinsic worth of your character—for I have been assured by those who know you that your record is a spotless one—weighs more in my humble, womanly estimation than all the wealth of the world associated with a tarnished name.

"I duly considered all these things, as well as my decided preference for you, and the result was, though contrary to my good aunty's advice, who had not the faculty, as she said, to discover any of these bugbears, I accepted the rose in preference to the pearls."

"Bless you, darling!" cried Harry deeply impressed by the sensible discrimination of his promised bride. "If I ever disappoint you in your hopes or expectations regarding me, it will be because I lack the ability, not the will, to sustain the role I have marked out."

"I have the most perfect confidence in your ability, dear Harry, and to show you that I have I shall place every dollar of my little fortune—some ten or twelve thousand in all, if the farm can be disposed of to advantage—entirely at your command, which will enable you to commence business on your own account—not so extensive as the Floyd's to begin with, of course; but you will grow to it. The man I marry is not to be cramped in his aspirations on account of my fears for the money I might have lying idle in some savings bank."

The lover could only express his emotion of gratitude by a tender pressure of the hand as they strolled back and once more mingled with the gay company.

The next morning Susan informed her aunt, Mrs. Gladstone, that she and Harry Joy were to be married at the expiration of a month, and preparations for the approaching nuptials were immediately set on foot.

Everything was in readiness when the time arrived, and a very costly and sensational display was the legitimate result of Mrs. Gladstone's clever management.

Agreeably to the promise given him before marriage, Mrs. Joy surrendered all her property into her husband's hands, and he immediately set up for himself in a limited way in the same line of business as the Floyds.

As Susan had prophesied before their marriage, his business grew and its growth proved a healthy and profitable one. In five years Susan's $12,000 had multiplied to $50,000, and Harry Joy was beginning to be spoken of as one of the "heavy men" of Springvale.

But during that five years a great change had come over the fortunes of Arthur Floyd.

His father had died, leaving him in full control of his extensive business. For a while things seemed to go on as smoothly as ever with Arthur, though prudent people observed that he was becoming daily more fond of the wine cup and the disreputable company of fast men and professional gamblers. He left his business go at loose ends, trusting to the integrity of the salesmen he employed, and they robbed him. He spent much of his time in the city, and a rumor reached Springvale one day that he had lost $20,000 at faro in one night—nearly twice the amount of money that Harry Joy had had to commence business upon.

From this time Arthur Floyd became more reckless and dissipated than ever, and cautious people began to whisper of impending bankruptcy. An officer from the city arrived one day and closed down upon everything.

The next morning after that ruinous but to some extent unexpected failure, Arthur Floyd was found suspended by the neck to a great beam in his own barn and quite dead when discovered. Susan Joy had just received a call from her aunt, Mrs. Gladstone, when the sad news of the suicide reached them.

"Where should I have been now had I accepted the pearls?" was all that Susan said.

"Indeed, deary, you were wiser than I after all," confessed Mrs. Gladstone, with a sigh.—M. S. in New York News.

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Republican County Convention.

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[illegible]

W. H. WEAVER, Chairman Republican County Committee. [illegible] April 7th, 1890.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

We are authorized to announce Hon. Lewis Emery, Jr., as a candidate for Congress, subject to the decision of the congressional convention [illegible] district.

[illegible]

To the School Directors of McKean County.

[illegible]

W. E. SEARLES, County Superintendent of McKean Co. Smethport, April 14, 1890.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

[illegible]

M. D. CARPENTER.

[illegible], April 14th, 1890.

WHY HAS HE CHANGED.

Two years ago we met an esteemed friend from Warren in Port Allegany who at that time was quite an enthusiastic supporter of Hon. L. F. Watson for Congress while we were opposed to his nomination. The reasons for our opposition were frankly stated to be, that Colonel Watson was no better qualified to represent the district than other citizens that he had already served two terms in Congress, and that for twenty eight years prior to that date Warren county had for sixteen years furnished the member for the district of which it was a part, besides two years that Judge Scofield had served the State as Congressman at large. In fact from 1850 to 1888, Warren borough had been favored with a Representative in Congress eighteen years, and we do not hesitate to say that it required considerable gall on the part of that county to ask for the nomination again. This was the position taken by the conferees from McKean county at the following Congressional convention which they adhered to until the other three counties of the district made the nomination. The Republicans of this county endorsed that nomination with a plurality of 111, the largest in the district, and 157 greater than that given by Mr Watson's own county of Warren.

A few days since we received a letter from the gentleman referred to in the beginning of this article in which he expresses surprise that we should favor Colonel Watson's nomination for a second term and denounces the Congressman in the most utter terms. What has come over the spirit of his dreams, we haven't the slightest idea but when he says, in referring to Colonel Watson's candidacy, that he won't get 75 votes in our borough, we desire to remind him that we have heard that kind of talk before from the same locality. A few gentlemen in that town, who dislike Colonel Watson, have the most implacable character, never permit an occasion to pass when talking with people outside the county, to charge him with being a political "schooler" and that he has no standing with reputable Republicans in Warren county, but it is uniformly the case that whenever he is a candidate his traducers must be in hiding somewhere for he not only carries the county but the borough with a unanimity which is truly remarkable. We anticipate the same result this year although he may lose a few votes on account of dissatisfaction arising from clerical appointments.

Until 1887 McKean and Warren counties had not been in the same Congressional district since 1871. The first convention under the new apportionment was held two years ago at Kane, when Colonel Watson was nominated. He is now serving his first term and asks for a second, and the question arises whether we will give him what is uniformly accorded a member of Congress, or cut him off with one term. So far as we are concerned we do not hesitate to say it would be good politics on the part of McKean to yield her claims this year believing that she would almost certainly secure the nomination two years hence. There are no two men in McKean county who we would be more pleased to see in Congress than Hon Lewis Emery, Jr., and Samuel W. Smith. But what reason has either one to believe he can be nominated in case he can carry McKean? Cameron and Warren will both be solid for Colonel Watson and is there a possibility that Venango will throw her votes for the McKean candidate? Those who have watched conferences where Hon J. W. Lee has been a candidate know that he is a stayer from way back and that he never lets up until he has the nomination in hand.

As we said recently, McKean and Warren counties will, in all probability, remain in the same Congressional district for many years to come, and with that fact in view is it not good sense to secure friendly relations from the start, instead of arousing animosities which will never cease to an end.

INGRATITUDE IS IT?

The Bradford correspondent of the Port Allegany *Reporter* in his last week's letter says:

"Much surprise is shown here at the action of editor Rogers in his treatment of A. F. Bannon, as it is well known here that without Mr Bannon's help, the editor would not sign treasurer after his name. * * * * * This showing of ingratitude has make friends for Bannon."

Editorially that paper endorses the foregoing as follows: "Indeed, good politicians say that without Bannon's help Rogers could not have been elected."

The only reply we propose to make to the insinuations that we would have failed of an election if it had not been for Mr Bannon's help, is to refer to the vote of the precinct in which that gentleman lives, and those surrounding it, where we were mercilessly slaughtered, and then to the precinct where we have lived most of the time for 32 years, and those surrounding it. If a man has any personal strength it is among his neighbors and the people with whom he has had social and business relations through life, and to us it is a most satisfactory reflection that from our neighbors we received the largest majority ever given to a candidate of any party. So also in the townships surrounding this borough and in fact in all the town ships of the county with very few exceptions, and especially from the old citizens of the county, the support extended to us at the November election was of the most generous character. In this connection we have no desire to have it understood that we think that Mr Bannon was not loyal to us in the canvass for treasurer. We know that he was, but no more so than we were to him when he ran for sheriff in 1884.

It is the question of "ingratitude" which the Port Allegany sheet makes that is flinging at the editor of this paper which we propose to notice, although it is not deserving of it. Is it ingratitude to suppress every communication which has been sent to us for publication within the past two months, in which Mr Bannon's candidate for Governor has been unmercifully scored? Is it ingratitude for us to keep back from the public what we personally know of Wallace Delamater's career as a State Senator? Is it ingratitude for the editor of this paper not to say a word in behalf of Hon C. W. Stone the man who he believes is pre-eminently qualified for Governor over any man named for the position? Is it ingratitude for this paper not to speak of the great wrong that is being done the Republican party of the State by the Chairman of the State Committee?

Months ago Mr Bannon told us that he wanted to represent this county in the next State Convention, and that he should support Mr Delamater for Governor. We then gave him our opinion of that gentleman and what we believed would be the result if he was nominated, but at the same time promised that the MINER would not oppose his (Mr Bannon's) candidacy for delegate. We have kept that promise faithfully and should have continued to keep it had his Democratic organ not commenced barking at our heels.

HON. SAMUEL J. RANDALL, the "father of the House of Representatives" since the death of Judge Kelley, died at his residence a few months ago on Capitol hill in Washington on Sunday morning last at ten minutes past five o'clock aged 62 years. He was surrounded by his family consisting of his wife, his daughters Mrs Lancaster and Susie Randall, his son Samuel J., Jr., his brother Robert, Postmaster General Wanamaker and the physicians. The cause of Mr Randall's death was an internal cancer of which he had no knowledge. He was taken to Washington last November a very sick man but he afterwards recuperated somewhat but not sufficiently to take his seat in the House. He was twice elected Speaker of the House and was without doubt one of the ablest parliamentarians in the country. We agree with the Pittsburgh *Times* in saying that "whatever he did in public station he believed was right. It was for this reason that he was so often found differing with other Democratic leaders. He may not always have been right. He was not in the largest sense intellectually great, but in the largest sense he was great in moral courage and faithfulness to his convictions, and few men of his period had convictions more intelligent. He was a good citizen, a faithful friend, a true patriot and a worthy example among men."

MRS. AGNES D. CLOUD writes us that she is a candidate for County Superintendent of Schools, but does not authorize us to make the formal announcement. Mrs Cloud is principal of the graded school of Custer City, which position she has filled very acceptably for several years past. She would undoubtedly make an efficient Superintendent.

SENATOR DELAMATER'S DUTY.

From The Philadelphia Press, April 12th.

On Friday evening April 4, at a public meeting in Bradford, ex Senator Lewis Emery, Jr., made the following charges against Senator George W. Delamater:

I charge that he purchased his election to the Senate of this state in 1886 that he directly bribed citizens of Crawford county to vote for him at the general election, and that when a memorial had been contemplated to prevent him from taking the oath of office he paid large sums of money for the suppression of the said memorial.

I charge that he did take the oath of office, thereby committing the crime against the good name and the statutes of the Commonwealth.

I charge also that during his services in the Senate he attempted to alter a public record by framing a conference report on a bill before it had been properly considered, contrary to all rules and practice, and signing or having had signed the names of the committee, and in so doing offended the dignity of the Legislature and the law of the Commonwealth.

I make these charges without fear of contradiction, and court an action at law whereby I may set my proof before the people oath bound.

Coming from a Republican and a responsible citizen, these charges have been printed in the newspapers of the State and have naturally attracted a good deal of attention and wide discussion. They are very serious allegations to bring against any man, and so far no answer has been made.

We are not prepared to believe that such charges can successfully stand against Senator Delamater. He is a young man of conceded ability and honorable ambition, and at this time a leading candidate for the Republican nomination for Governor of the State. He cannot afford to remain silent under accusations such as these and coming with the emphasis and from the source that these do.

Senator Delamater owes it not merely to himself, but to the Republican party, whose candidate for the great office of Governor he expects to be, to meet these charges fully and completely and so strangle them that there shall never again be a chance for anybody either inside or outside the party to use them. This is due the Republican people, who are now in possession of but one side of the story, and who may wrongly construe absolute silence. Delay or failure to make convincing answer cannot but prove unfortunate.

The Press makes this request of Senator Delamater in behalf of the Republicans of the State. It has taken no sides in the canvass for the Gubernatorial nomination, its candidate for Governor will be the nominee of the convention. The party requires, however, that the nominee, whosoever he may be, shall be one against whose character no charges can be successfully made. Senator Delamater can doubtless refute ex Senator Emery's allegations, and he ought to satisfy the whole Republican party of that fact. They are of too serious a nature to go unanswered.

M. O. CAMPBELL announces elsewhere that he will ask of the Convention of School Directors which convenes in the Court House in this place on the 5th of May, to be elected County Superintendent for the coming three years. Mr Campbell feels as though he was defrauded of the election three years ago, and he asks now that the great injustice which was done him at that time may be rectified. From the statement he makes and he produces the figures to substantiate it, there seems to be grounds for his complaint that he was counted out. He made an intelligent painstaking and industrious Superintendent before, and certainly no mistake would be made in electing him again.

LITERARY NOTES.

THE LATEST SIBERIAN TRAGEDY.

We quote the following from George Kennan's article in the April *Century*: "The survivors of the Yakutsk massacre were tried by the court martial, without benefit of counsel, upon the charge of armed resistance to the authorities and all were found guilty. Three of them were hanged; fourteen, including four women, were condemned to penal servitude for life; five including two women were sent to the mines for fifteen years; four boys and girls less than twenty one years of age were condemned to penal servitude for ten years, and two others were sent as forced colonists to the arctic villages of Verkhoyansk and Sredne Kolymsk in the remotest part of Yakutsk." And this sentence, the St Petersburg officials say, is an evidence of the 'unusual moderation' of the judges who composed the court martial. A further proof of this 'unusual moderation' is furnished by the fact that the political exile Kohan Bernstein, after receiving four severe bullet wounds at the time of the massacre, and after lying nearly five months in a prison hospital, was carried to the scaffold on a cot bed and hanged by putting the noose around his neck and dragging the bed out from under him. If this is Russian 'moderation' one might well pray to be delivered from Russian severity.

One of the executed men, two hours before the rope was put about his neck, scribbled a hasty farewell note to his comrades in which he said: 'We are not afraid to die, but try you to make our deaths count for something; write all this to Kennan.' The appeal to me shall not be in vain. If I live the whole English speaking world at least shall know all the details of this most atrocious crime.

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List of Traverse Jurors.

Following is a list of jurors drawn for the civil trial term of court, to be held next week.

Atwater, Charles—Liberty.
Beemer, Frank—Kendall borough.
Brown, E. C.—Otto, Kinzua.
Bush, Richard E.—Otto, Kinzua.
Black, Perry H.—Bradford city.
Baker, Chester—Port Allegany.
Bolton, Fanny—Bradford city.
Curtis, Jerome—Eldred twp.
Cannon, Thomas—Otto, Duke Centre.
Cante, Andrew—Bradford city.
Clifford, H. C.—Bradford city.
Corwin, C. Frank—Smethport.
Carter, Thomas—Kane.
Donjohn, John—Clermont.
Eastwood, A. L.—Liberty.
Griffin, Webb—Kane.
Godfrey, A. T.—Bradford.
Hodges, J. S.—Annin.
Hyde, W. F.—Kendall borough.
Johnson, John P.—Bradford city.
Kane, E. K.—Kane.
Lamb, J.—Bradford city.
Laing, Theodore—Foster.
Larsen, A. G.—Kane.
McLarran, John—Otto twp.
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Manser, Wm.—Smethport.
Nedly, S. H.—Bradford twp.
Ormsby, Frank—Keating.
Pinque, H.—Bradford city.
Pattison, Leslie—Keating.
Pueben, James—Ceres.
Robbins, David L.—Lafayette.
Redfield, A. M.—Foster twp.
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Smethport April 15, 1890 1w

Ordinance No. 38.

IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Burgess and Town Council of the Borough of Smethport.

That it shall not be lawful for any person or persons to vend, hawk, peddle, canvass or solicit orders in the Borough of Smethport for any patent medicines, nostrums or other preparations or wares or merchandise or manufactured goods by samples or otherwise, or books (except books and of subscription only) pictures, grapes, fish or meats without first obtaining a license so to do from the Burgess of said Borough and pay therefor the following license fee. To sell patent medicines, nostrums and other preparations, two dollars per day. To sell stationery, cutlery or manufactured goods other than those hereinafter stated, books (except as above excepted) pictures, grapes, fish or farm produce, one dollar per day. To sell fish or farm produce or clothing by sample shall not apply to persons selling goods or clothing by sample to private houses by or otherwise, wholesale or retail, wagons, carriages or sleighs by sample or otherwise, three dollars per day. To sell cut meats, twenty five dollars per year. Fish peddlers may have a license for one year for five dollars. This ordinance shall not apply to persons in the borough holding mercantile licenses nor to persons resident in the county selling their own farm produce. And in no case shall the person or persons licensed under this section occupy any of the sidewalks, streets, lanes, alleys or public grounds in such manner as to obstruct public travel. Any person or persons violating any of the provisions of this section of this ordinance shall be fined not less than two dollars nor more than twenty five dollars for each and every offense to be recovered as penalties are by law recovered. And that ordinance No. 31 relating to hawking and peddling be and the same is hereby repealed. This ordinance to take effect May 1, 1890.

Adopted April 14, 1890.

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Trial List.

For Third Monday of April, A. D. 1890.

1 Angelo Carbiano vs C S Whitney and H L McMullen, partners as Whitney & McMullen. No 189, December term 1889. Appeal. Plea—non assumpsit. Labor claim.

2 Louis Carbiano vs C S Whitney and H L McMullen, partners as Whitney & McMullen. No 190, December term, 1889. Appeal. Plea—non-assumpsit. Labor claim.

3 Valentine Acart vs C S Whitney and H L McMullen, partners as Whitney & McMullen. No 191, December term 1889. Appeal. Plea—non-assumpsit. Labor claim.

4 Vicolio Appellanio vs C S Whitney and H L McMullen, partners as Whitney & McMullen. No 192, December term, 1889. Appeal. Plea—non-assumpsit. Labor claim.

5 Ezra Crossman vs George W Archer, A R Corbitt and Alfred Shor. No 328 December term, 1883. Ejectment. Plea—not guilty for defendants served.

6 The Township of Foster vs A P Sprague and A I Bishop. No 362 February term 1881. Appeal from auditor's report. Plea—non-assumpsit, payment with leave to give special matter, &c.

7 C M Dow, I Fullagar and W T Coleman, doing business as Dow, Fullagar & Coleman, vs S F Henderson and C C Henderson, defendants, and J D Burt garnishee. No 276 October term, 1884. Foreign attachment. Plea—non assumpsit payment with leave, &c, and set off.

8 Mary I Webb vs J H Webb. No 501 October term 1881. Appeal. Plea—nil debit.

9 Henry H Craig vs O L Day. No 60, October term 1887. Replevin. Plea—non cepit and property in himself.

10 Geo S Stewart vs City of Bradford. No 13 December term 1887. Appeal. Plea—nil debit.

11 A H Logan, Lewis Emery Jr and W R Weaver, partners under the firm name of Logan, Emery & Weaver, vs Pennsylvania Railroad Company. No 130, December term 1887. Assumpsit. Plea—non assumpsit, payment and statute of limitation.

12 L R Shaw vs C I Casterline, J W Baker, Frank French, James Gormley, E F Wyant. No 204 February term, 1883. Capias ad respondendum in trespass. Plea—not guilty.

13 Margaret Sheahan vs Bradford, Bordell & Kinzua Railroad. No 128 May term 1887. Trespass. Plea—not guilty.

14 Alexander McClennan vs P H O'Brien and P H Davitt doing business as O'Brien & Davitt. No 5, May term 1889. Assumpsit. Plea—non-assumpsit, payment with leave, set off and statute of limitation.

15 S A Burt, Cornelia Maria Burt, his wife, in right of Cornelia Maria Burt vs New York, Lake Erie and Western Railroad Company. No 301, May term, 1889. Trespass. Plea—not guilty.

16 Arthur Whalin vs I M Houghton. No 5 October term, 1889. Appeal. Plea—non assumpsit.

17 C D Angell, C P Cody and E V Cody, doing business as partners under the name style and title of the Petroleum Real Estate Company, Limited, vs C B Whitehead. No 8, October term, 1889. Assumpsit. Plea—non-assumpsit.

18 C L Douglass vs A J Edgett. 243 October term 1889. Trespass vi et armis. Plea—not guilty.

19 C L Douglass vs A J Edgett. No 244, October term 1889. Trespass. Plea—not guilty.

20 Mrs Emma Hurley vs Manufacturers Gas Company, A W Lewis and F D Wood. No 260, October term 1889. Trespass vi et armis. Plea—not guilty.

21 Mrs Dillie L Curtis vs Manufacturers' Gas Company, A W Lewis and F D Wood. No 261, October term, 1889. Trespass vi et armis. Plea—not guilty.

22 A H Bloomer vs C B Whitehead. No 420, October term, 1889. Appeal. Plea—non-assumpsit.

23 Mr — Hull and Lucy A Hull his wife, in right of said Lucy A Hull, as heir at law of Ludowick Lillibridge, deceased, vs Chas A Lambert, Allen Yates, Wm L Lillibridge, Henry H Garthwaite, Chas A Dolley, P J Welpper, Chas J Downs, Chas W Pinch and Lowell L Lillibridge. No 431, October term, 1889. Ejectment. Plea—not guilty.

24 Mr — Hull and Lucy A Hull, his wife, in right of said Lucy A Hull, as heir at law of Ludowick Lillibridge and Anna C, his wife, both deceased, vs Lowell L Lillibridge and W C Downs. No 433, October term, 1889. Ejectment. Plea—not guilty.

25 Mrs M I Ross vs A Joseph and R Berwald, doing business as Joseph & Berwald. No 464, October term, 1889. Appeal. Plea—non-assumpsit.

Court Proclamation.

The HON. A. G. OLMSTED, President Judge, of the Courts of Oyer and Terminer and General Jail Delivery, Quarter Sessions of the Peace, Orphan's Court and Court of Common Pleas for the County of McKean, has issued his precept, bearing date Friday, Dec. 13th, 1889, and to me directed, for holding a Court of Common Pleas, at the borough of Smethport, Pa., on Monday the 21st day of April, A. D. 1890, and to continue one week.

Dated at Smethport, Pa., April 3, 1890, and in the 113th year of the independence of the United States of America.

W. B. CLARKE, Sheriff.

Dissolution of Partnership.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE partnership lately subsisting between O. D. Bush and W. A. McIntosh of East Smethport, Pa., under the firm name of Bush & McIntosh, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. All debts owing to said partnership are to be paid to said W. A. McIntosh and all demands on said partnership are to be presented to him for payment.

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Solicitor.

March 11, 1890-4 w.

Dissolution of Partnership.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE firm of E. G. Hagadorn & Co., general store keepers at Alton, McKean county, Penn'a., (composed of E. G. Hagadorn and F. N. Hall) is dissolved, F. N. Hall retiring, and E. G. Hagadorn continuing the business. All debts due to the late firm are payable to E. G. Hagadorn, by whom the firm liabilities are assumed and will be paid.

E. G. HAGADORN,
FRANK N. HALL.

Alton, Pa., March 10, 1890. 6w.

Executrix Notice.

Estate of Peter Martin, Deceased;

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of Peter Martin, late of Clermont, Sergeant township, McKean county, Pennsylvania, deceased, have been granted to Leonora Martin, residing at Clermont, in said township, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands against the same will present them for payment, duly authenticated.

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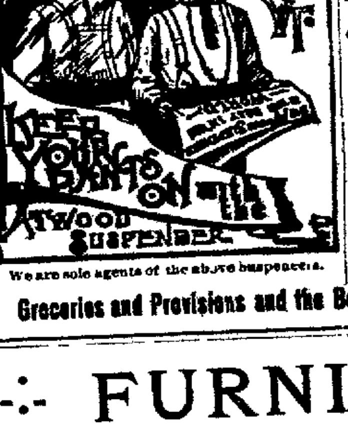
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M. S. ROGERS - - Associate Editor.

Smethport, Pa., April 18, 1890.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

—The buds are bursting

—Civil court convenes next Monday

—Beautiful weather for capricious April

—Fair and dance at the opera house next week

—A base-ball club is being organized in Smethport.

—Mrs. M. B. Greer is visiting friends in Buffalo this week.

—We are told by early risers that the mornings are almost divine.

—The foundation for the new mill on Mechanic street is about finished

Last Saturday's race proved that a human can't go to sleep on a green-field

Services will be held at the Baptist church next Sunday morning and evening

John Aughton, of Bradford, son of our County Commissioner, was in town this week

The big [illegible] street rink begins to look sadly demoralized in its course of demolition

An addition to the Backus store building on Main street is in course of construction

Last Friday a number of persons angled for the speckled beauties, it being the first day of fishing

—It is rumored that W. L. MacGowan, superintendent of the Olean schools, has tendered his resignation

The young ladies of St. Luke's Guild entertained friends at the residence of Robert King Esq Wednesday evening

Electricity moves 288,000 miles per second, light moves 192,000 miles per second and a rifle ball moves 1,300 feet per second

—Mrs. W. D. Gallup royally entertained a very agreeable party of young people at her home on Green street Saturday evening last

Rev. F. H. McCandless and W. P. Shero of St. Luke's church this place will officiate in the Ascension church, Bradford next Sunday

—The early matins of winged choristers are now the delight of early risers although the music may not sound so pleasant to early worms

—There has been a report in circulation of late to the effect that one of our Smethport young men had fallen heir to considerable of a fortune

The Baptist social will meet on Friday evening of this week at the home of Mrs. C. Bush, in South Smethport. A cordial welcome awaits all who may attend

All persons interested in the forming of a base ball club in this place are requested to meet in the hose house on Saturday night at 8 o'clock sharp

—A syndicate of New York capitalists recently purchased the Coudersport & Port Allegany railroad and will connect it with the Lackawanna & South Western

—What e no longer lingers on the lap of spring. The coy maiden got mad and got Dave to knock the old bachelor off from her lap with a couple of thunderbolts.

—The Republican county convention for choosing delegates to state and congressional conventions will be held at Smethport, May 13th, and the primaries May 10th

—The exaggerated item in the *Era* in regard to the foot race in this place last Saturday must have been the offspring of the fevered brain of some misguided and imaginative youth.

—The roads are already in an excellent condition and are steadily improving. Street Commissioner Black was making use of the scraper and roller on Main street last Tuesday

—To exonerate Col. S. P. Wright, we will state that it was not his fault that the contributions to the monument fund did not appear last week. We were compelled to omit them

—Frank Bliss and Miss Kittie Baker children of two very respectable families of the city of Louisville eloped one day last week and were married. Frank was 13 years of age and Kittie 13

—Mr. Charles H. Hall of this place and Miss Grace Carnes of Evansburgh Pa., were united in matrimony at the Grand Central Hotel Olean on Wednesday. Rev. Rutger Dox pronounced the ceremony

—On Wednesday C. P. Byron of Bradford, sold the controlling interest in stock of the Smethport Gas Company to Messrs. Henry Hamlin, Robert H. Rose, S. E. Armstrong, W. C. Young, John Forrest and W. D. Gallup. Consideration $16,000

—Mark Twain allows himself 300 cigars a month. At the age of 34 he stopped smoking for a year and a half. When he started to write "Roughing It," he was three weeks in writing three chapters. Then he resumed smoking and completed the book in three months.

—It is understood that prize and forfeit money are up and conditions have been agreed to upon a pugilistic contest to take place in Smethport within a few weeks. The fight, which will be between two local athletes, will be to a finish. Smethport is initiating classical customs.

—Printers are not supposed to know much about Eden. Their knowledge borders more upon things of the shadowy Plutonian realm. We may therefore be excused for the typographical error last week when the word Eden was spelled with an o in place of the second e

—L. L. Knapp informs us that two new tables have been added to the furniture of the Fulton street hose house. Although Mr. Knapp did not say so, the scribe imagines that one may find tables of green cloth, English divans, oriental book stands, and Japanese palanquins in this mysterious hall when it is fully equipped

—"Says an eminent physician "show me a pair of salon athletes forty years old and I will show you a man old beyond his time with bones out of shape, muscles injured and joints stiffened and no one would promise him five years more of life—but a pile of movements to expand the lungs gymnastics are a positive injury"

—"The secret of success in life is to keep busy, to be persevering, patient and untiring in the pursuit or calling you are following. The busy ones may now and then make mistakes but it is better to risk them than to be idle and inactive. Keep doing, whether it be at work or seeking recreation. Motion is life, and the busiest are the happiest. 'Cheerful, active labor is a blessing.'" An old philosopher says, "The firefly only shines when on the wing, so it is with the mind, when once we rest, we darken."—Ex.

—Whether early, whether late, there is one thing women hate; there is one thing they all do against their wishes; there is nothing 'neath the skies they so mortally despise as to go and wash the darned old dishes. They can cook and play the host, fry potatoes, fix a roast, make a pudding, apple pie, and cake delicious, but they rave around like sinners, when they all get done their dinners, and go out to wash the darned old dirty dishes.

—Out in the virtuous State of Missouri where they have miscellaneous hanging bees, bald knobbers and other elevating sports, a learned judge of one of the circuit courts recently, among other special instructions to the grand jury, instructed them to investigate the playing of progressive euchre for prizes to ascertain whether it did not come under the head of gambling, and to indict where there was sufficient proof

—A man in Kalamazoo, Mich. has a parrot that he wouldn't sell for his weight in silver. On five different occasions has this intelligent bird saved the house from being burglarized. The last time was on a recent night. The burglar got the door unfastened, but when he opened it, the parrot asked in a stern and harsh voice, "Hello there! What's the matter?" The burglar didn't answer but fell over himself in his desperate effort to get away.

—America should pattern after the ancients in the matter of roads. Good roads breed prosperity and without them a country goes to decay. When Rome flourished in her lordliest state of civilization and cosmopolitan rule, she expended enormous sums of money on highways, in many parts of Europe, including Britain, after the invasion of Caesar, and traces of wonderful thoroughfares remain as relics of what has been accomplished by all of the mightiest nations of the ancient world. As long as the present system of township supervisors remains, the roads of this commonwealth will never improve. The next Legislature should take the matter in hand and revolutionize the system

The Big Race

About 500 people gathered in Hamlin Park last Saturday afternoon for the purpose of witnessing the running contest between Lewis Lemon and William Greenfield. The day was exceptionally suited to the occasion, the fair mild weather augmenting the masses from the rural districts that mingled with the sporting fraternity. Greenfield's backers were offering two to one up to the pistol shot but could find no victims—Lemon men having lost heart with the [illegible] of the dark horse. Greenfield being transformed from his former somewhat ungainly appearance to a slender and perfectly proportioned athlete after he had donned his running costume.

The signal was given at 4:30 and Lemon and his [illegible] up which [illegible] nothing [illegible] the time gained in the jump was lost [illegible]. About half way down the 125 yard course Greenfield seemed to take wings [illegible] swift as the thoughts of love and soon widened the space between himself and his opponent several feet, maintaining the advantage without apparent effort to the end. When he passed through the ropes the stop watch indicated the distance had been covered in 12¼ seconds. The mob went wild with enthusiasm and a number of persons would have carried the victor on their shoulders for the entertainment of the ladies in the grand stand, had he not jumped upon a train in waiting upon the adjacent B. L. & K. track, and been hurried away. A large amount of money changed hands on the result, which seemed to be foreshadowed prior to the race, when Lemon's strongest supporters lost courage. The sporting men are trying to bring about a race between Hagerty of Warren and Greenfield and present appearances indicate that articles of agreement will soon be drawn up

For the Monument Indebtedness

The following contributions to the Childrens Monument Fund are acknowledged with pleasure by Chairman Wright who extends heartfelt thanks for same on behalf of the entire committee.

[illegible]

Miss W. L. Sherman teacher

[illegible]

Total

Miss F. [illegible] teacher

[illegible]

Total

[illegible]

Total

Grace Miller teacher

[illegible]

Total

Mrs. E. L. MacCain teacher

[illegible]

Total

SMETHPORT SCHOOLS

Grades 1 and 2, Miss M. M. Hibbard teacher

[illegible]

Total

Grades 1 and 2, Miss Hattie A. Foote, teacher

[illegible]

Total

Grades 1 and 2, Miss Lee A. Knapp teacher

[illegible]

Total

COLEVILLE SCHOOL

[illegible]

Total

SQUARANTY SCHOOL

Miss Marie L. Kresel teacher

[illegible]

Total

Receipts of to-day

Previously reported

Grand total

AROUND THE COUNTY.

Interesting News From Various Localities As Related by Our Regular Correspondents.

BRADFORD.

A. P. Huey, Esq., of Kane, was in the city Sunday.

John D. Brawley of Meadville, spent Sunday in this city

Mr. George Bixley spent Sunday with his family in this city.

The Bradford base ball grounds are being put in fine shape for this season.

The new driving park will only be a fifteen minute walk from Main street

The members of the Bradford base ball club will report for duty next Saturday

Evidently nothing short of a western tornado will rid Bradford of the Tuleip depot.

The finishing touches are being put on A. W. Newell's handsome three story brick block next to the city hall on Congress street.

Workmen have been engaged during the past week in grading the grounds about A. C. Melvin's new residence on Corydon street

Ground has been broken for the new building to be erected by Howard & Seyfang on the site of the old Higgins restaurant building on Lower Main street

Nearly three hundred couples were present at the locomotive engineers' ball at Oyleman hall on Wednesday evening of last week. The ball was a grand success.

M[illegible] closed an unusually successful week's engagement at the opera house on Saturday evening. The house was crowded every night during the entire week

It is now stated that Commissioner Wright's [illegible] reign came to an end on the advent of the new Council. Mr. Wright has proved his [illegible] on a former occasion

With a few exceptions the residents on Congress street gave the thoroughfare a thorough cleaning on Saturday. This is the first time the street has been cleaned since it was paved

Whether the needs of the city demands two additional policemen is a question of opinion, but there is no doubt that Mayor Ward was justified by the city ordinances in making the appointments

The Holmes house on Congress street is receiving a thorough overhauling and among other improvements will be the introduction of electric lights. Mr. Holmes is one of our progressive citizens

A good sized audience was present at the [illegible] church on Thursday evening [illegible] Rev. G. Chapman Jones lecture on "Our Folks." The lecture is highly spoken of by those who heard it

A ten year old boy named Gill while ascending an old derrick up the West Branch on Saturday last missed his footing and fell a distance of nearly fifty feet dislocating his elbow and otherwise seriously injuring him

I. W. Crawford of Roulette and W. K. Jones, W. L. Knox and W. W. Thompson of Coudersport, were in the city on Friday last in attendance at the conferring degrees of Trinity Commandery at the Masonic Temple

C. J. Wheeler Esq returned from New York Saturday morning last where he was in attendance at the meeting of the [illegible] oil exchanges. Mr. Wheeler was elected president of the conference for the coming year

The Lancaster base ball club has notified the managers of the Bradford club that they will be unable to fill their engagement in this city on the 24th and 25th inst. Another club will [illegible] be secured to fill the above dates

The funeral services of the remains of Mrs. M. J. Steel wife of Hon. M. M. Steel of Aiken were held at the Methodist church on Saturday morning last. Rev. Dr. D. W. C. Huntington officiating. The remains were buried in Oak Hill cemetery.

The new city government started out with a deadlock in the councils over Mayor Ward's appointments for chief of police and patrolmen. The law makers appeared to have scruples against increasing the police force to six members and refuse to confirm any of the appointments.

A public park is among the other public improvements suggested by Mayor Ward. This suggestion is worthy the careful consideration of our city law makers. Bradford is large enough and rich enough to provide such a place for her citizens, and the Mayor's recommendation [illegible]

Main street never presented a more [illegible] appearance than it did last Saturday evening. [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Oak Hill cemetery.

[illegible]

There are three new candidates for postmaster [illegible] during the past week among whom the names of [illegible] Ferrell and H. L. Everett appear. Who the lucky man will be is as yet an unsolved problem, as all the candidates present elements of strength that cannot be questioned, and either of whom would make a good postmaster in case of their appointment

W. J. Kugel better known as the Pleasantville poet, is now enjoying a twenty days sojourn in the city lock up as a recompense for a plain, unvarnished drunk. The bard can congratulate himself on not being the only man of note who has enjoyed the city's hospitality. Only recently a real, live city alderman slept off an over-charge of John Barleycorn in this famous retreat.

The semi-annual inspection of C company occurred at the armory on Friday evening. Major Frank Patterson of Gen Wiley's staff, conducted the exercise. Thirty-seven members of the company were present and all acquitted themselves in a creditable manner and were highly complimented by Major Patterson for their neat appearance and proficiency in military tactics. Capt. J. C. Fox has every reason to be proud of his soldier boys.

KASSON.

C. N. Bates has moved his family to Smethport.

Mr. Wm Hafner and wife drove to Smethport on Friday

Mrs. Orrin Perry fell and sprained her wrist one day last week.

Mrs. Laurie and Miss Frankie Perry called on friends in Clermont Sunday

J. D. Barnes a former resident of this place, is visiting friends here this week

Messrs. Benson and Norman Warthe were calling on friends here last Sunday

Mrs. Wright of Keating township, is visiting her daughter Mrs. George Anderson, of this place

Mrs. Wm Laurie and Misses Lena Pattison and Effie Burlingame of this place drove to Clermont on Saturday

Among others that had business called to the county seat on Monday were H. W. Burlingame, Wm Barton, Will Kinney, Mrs. P. Hafner and son, C. Anderson, John Swanson and son

We hope everyone will put a shoulder to the wheel and make our Sunday school what it should be this summer. We have above sixty scholars in our three schools here and all we need is a little stirring up and we will have a fine Sunday school. Help along the good work, friends

Quite a number of friends and relatives gathered at the residence of Samuel Barnes on Monday afternoon the occasion being the seventy-seventh birthday of the mother, Mrs. Eliza Barnes, who is one of the oldest residents of this place. We hope she may live to enjoy many more birthdays.

PORT ALLEGANY.

Miss Delia Dolley is very sick with the measles.

Mack Wilson drove to Smethport last Sunday.

We have had several days of fine weather and our roads are in pretty good condition.

Mrs. Buell, national secretary of the W. C. T. U. lectured in the M. E. Church Wednesday evening.

Wm. VanLoon has built an addition to his house on Mill street, which greatly adds to its appearance

The measles are taking in the entire town. Hardly a family here but that has the measley things

E. P. Dalrymple went to the city last week, where he purchased a full stock of spring and summer goods.

The tannery company are about to erect another dwelling house. C. E. Grover has the contract

S. W. and W. F. Smith are putting in a surface drain about their residence and otherwise beautifying its appearance

S. C. Hartwell has purchased the large farm of G. L. Blackman at the north of the Two Mile and will take immediate possession

Ground has been broken for the new Baptist Church which will be located on Main street near the residence of Dr. J. S. Stearns

Mrs. Wm. Bard of Towanda N. Y. arrived home last week and is in attendance at the bedside of her mother, Mrs. S. A. Palmer

The protracted meeting at the M. E. Church closed last week. During their continuance many were converted, mostly persons of middle age

Mrs. S. A. Palmer who suffered from a stroke of paralysis a week ago remains about the same. Dr. Freeman of Smethport, was called over to attend her

The genial John Rice is engaged in superintending the mason work for the new tannery plant at Coudersport. John is the right man in the right place

The speaking contest for the Demorest silver medal at the M. E. Church last Saturday evening was largely attended. The prize was won by Miss Allie Farrabee

The Lutheran and Episcopal societies observed Easter services Sunday. Both churches were tastefully decorated with flowers and evergreens and the services were impressive throughout

Your correspondent may be a little late, still he wishes to tender sincere congratulations to our mutual friend Harry Knapp. May life deal gently with him and his fair bride is our most earnest wish.

On Friday morning last Thomas McDowell received a telegram announcing the dangerous illness of his daughter Mrs. Chas. Kernan. Mrs. McDowell started at once for Newpago Mich where their daughter resides

The Knights of St. John and Malta installed their newly elected officers on Friday evening last. Fitz Hall Eminent Commander, Chas Goodwin Lieutenant Commander. Both are first class fellows and will no doubt make efficient officers

Gallup Bros. have four portable saw mills working and two more in course of construction—one on Lamb's Creek and the other up the Hillbridge. Their monthly pay roll amounts to about $10,000. J. C. is a thorough going business man.

Three wagon loads of the household effects of Mrs. Flora Hogarth were taken to Smethport on Monday. We are sorry to lose her from our midst but realize that our loss will be Smethport's gain. We wish her naught but prosperity and happiness in your beautiful borough

Rev. Edwards of the Presbyterian Church delivered a very instructive sermon on the observance of the Sabbath day. He showed very plainly that the printing of Sunday papers the running of railroad trains, the collection and delivery of mails etc were uncalled for and could be dispensed with if the people could but see it in that light

J. G. Hall has purchased the large planer from the mill of C. E. Grover and will soon be prepared to do all kinds of matching and surfacing in first-class style. He also has the contract for supplying the headings for the American Extract Co. Mr. Hall has succeeded in building up quite an industry and is deserving of the patronage of our lumbermen throughout this section

CLERMONT

Dr. McCoy has been in town every day this week

Julius Dumphy will serve as juror next week

The oil well [illegible] are drilling near here is down 340 feet

There will be three applicants for license from here

It is rumored that Israel McCandless will move to Instanter

Born to the [illegible] last to Mr and Mrs. J. O. Soderberg—a son

The celebrated school case is set down for the first Monday in May

When? Yes when will we have a passenger train from here to Falls Creek

J. H. Lane, C. P. Erlandson and Frank Hafner went to Smethport Wednesday

Mrs J. W. Anderson who has been very ill for several days is reported better

F. L. Keating is doing a good coal business now. He runs the engine himself

Justice J. H. Osmond is the superintendent of construction of the new railroad

Commissioner James McKean was in town this week looking over the political field

Drs. McCoy, Chadwick, Freeman and Corbin were all in town one day last week.

The Odd Fellows hall at Smethport *will not* be dedicated before the first days in June

Oliver Groves, the barber is now permanently located in the Miesel block on Pine street.

Mrs. H. A. Lyman of Olean was in town the other day visiting her mother Mrs. J. W. Steinhauer

Our supervisors (that is Hafner and Erlandson) will begin work on the township roads next week

Mr and Mrs. C. A. Burdick of Smethport spent Sunday with Mr and Mrs. E. J. Burdick of this place

J. W. Anderson is just now putting in a drift on his farm and will open a coal vein that is three feet thick

I am very much pleased to note that our friend Pat Gorman is in charge of a train between Colegrove and here

Samuel Gray is now back from Smethport as young as ever and his many friends will find him at the old stand

Can't we have mail from here to Johnsonburg? As it is now, it takes just three days for a letter to go from here to Instanter

J. P. Keating the accommodating landlord of the Clermont Hotel, is now better prepared to take care of his guests than ever before.

A meeting was held in the church on Tuesday evening and by-laws for the Union Church Society were adopted. The trustees will meet at the office of the Buffalo Coal Co. Saturday evening at 6:30

J. P. Howard had his right arm broken while at work in Boyer's saw-mill on Friday last. His many friends will be glad to hear that Dr Freeman thinks that Howard will be around in a few weeks.

C. H. Moore & Co. will soon have their new railroad ready. They have the engine here already and the venerable comrade, Ben Marsh, will have the say so on engine No. one on Clermont & Mt. Jewett railroad.

KENDALL CREEK

Jennie Breneman is very sick with quinsy

Will Windsor is rejoicing over the birth of a little daughter

Mrs. Kate Walter is lying quite ill at the residence of J. D. Breneman.

Mrs Geo. K. Mitchell has been lying very ill at her home on Sawyer street

Miss Josie Hicks has returned from Virginia and is the guest of her parents.

Miss Leonore Field, who has been quite ill for the past few months, is now convalescent.

Mrs. Anna Brown of Eldred, who has been the guest of Mrs. John Denman, has returned home.

Mrs. Reamer of Limestone street, is lying at the point of death. Her malady is caused from a cancer.

Miss Nellie Brown and Miss Maggie Withrop of this place, attended the teachers association at Kane last week.

Charles Knox, formerly of this place but now a resident of Ohio, was in town recently shaking hands with old friends.

There has been quite an exodus of young men from Kendall lately. Among those who have gone to the Ohio oil fields are Fred Nye, Frank Verry, Dan Geary, D. Crawford and many others.

Kendall Union, W. C. T. U. sent several delegates to the convention, which met at Rixford last week. Among those who attended are Mrs. N. Shaffer, Mrs. C. D. Gilbert, Mrs. A. R. Greer, Miss Belle McCallister, Miss Susie Sherman, Miss Jessie Brown and several others.

Kendall was visited by burglars a week ago last Friday night. They entered M. A. Haggerty's hardware store, and all the depots, but got nothing of much value. They tried to enter the residence of J. Q. Field, but Mr Field was awakened and they were frightened away. Where is our night watchman?

The phantom party given by the K. and L. of H. though not so well attended as was anticipated, was a marked success. The merry but grotesque maskers seemed to enjoy every minute of the time. Supper was served at the American house and was a gastronomical success enjoyed by everyone who partook thereof

The Easter services at the Methodist Church were unusually good. The rostrum was tastefully decorated with potted plants and boquets of hot house flowers, which filled the church with fragrance. The programme was carefully selected and excellently rendered. The music was especially fine. A liberal collection was raised for the Sunday school missionary society

ELDRED.

Mrs. A. T. Barden is visiting friends in Buffalo

Wallace Wright and bride departed for Ohio on Monday

Charlie Freeman of Olean was in town on Saturday last.

Mr and Mrs. A. N. Squires visited B. Hall the early part of the week

Mr and Mrs. Will Holmes, of Port Allegany, have been visiting friends in town

Miss Mattie McDowell spent Saturday and Sunday with her sister Mrs. C. Y. White

Seymour Torrey of Olean, and of Eldred's former boys spent Sunday at Dr. Richardson's.

F. F. Wolcott has closed his meat market in this place and will move it to Sweden Valley

I am pleased to state that Mrs. C. P. Bailey who has been very low for the past week is much better

Owen Charles and family have taken their departure for Sweden Valley where they will make their home

Mrs. Russell who has been visiting her daughter Mrs. Eugene Brooks returned to her home at Rixford on Monday

About twenty were down from Port Allegany on Monday evening and were organized into an Odd Fellows lodge. After the business was transacted they repaired to Colemans where an elegant supper was served

The band gave an open air concert Tuesday evening and treated the people to some fine selections. They will continue to give concerts every Tuesday evening during the coming season when the weather permits. I was glad to see the boys out again and think the people here should appreciate their efforts enough to erect them a tasteful band stand something more convenient than the rickety and uncomfortable affair that adorns lower Main street

COLEGROVE

Custer Gallup is visiting his parents at Hamlin

Mrs. Daniel Acre returned to her home in Norwich last Saturday

Mrs. Bela Colegrove is recovering from an attack of typhoid fever

Josiah Carter of Emporium, is visiting his brother, Russel Carter

Dell Havens has returned to his farm at Norwich where he is keeping bachelor hall.

Mrs. Evans and Mrs. Ride with their children are visiting their sister Mrs. W. Carter of Hamlin

The spelling match did not come off as expected owing to the storm which prevailed on that evening

Miss Mittie Havens returned to her home Wednesday last after a brief visit with her friends at Colegrove

The W. C. T. U. of this place sent several delegates to the convention which was held at Rixford last week.

Mrs. P. C. Creighton of Hamlin, has been very sick with quinsy but we are pleased to say that she is recovering

Mrs. Alta Clarke of Exeter Centre is attending her father who has been sick with typhoid fever but is slowly recovering

The King's Daughters of this place will give a sugar party next Thursday evening at the parsonage. A good time is expected

C. S. Colt, W. E. Wilson, W. W. Trace, F. G. Lindholm and many others went to Smethport on Saturday last to witness the foot race at that place

Miss Ina Burdick celebrated her sixteenth birthday on Tuesday last. A large number of her friends assembled at the sugar bush where they were treated to warm sugar and then they repaired to the house where a sumptuous repast was spread. All did justice to the good viands placed before them

St. Luke's Church

The Rev. S. D. Day of Bradford, will officiate on Sunday next.

Services at 8 and 10:30 a. m., and at 7:30 p. m.

W. R. C. Fair

The ladies of the Womans Relief Corps open their fair in Kittredge opera house on Monday evening next and it should be liberally patronized by the citizens of this vicinity. The object for which the fair is to be held, which will continue through the week, is to raise money to assist in paying for the State Memorial Home at Brookville, and to assist in defraying the expenses of Memorial Day. No one will question the importance of both these objects and every patriotic man and woman in the community should lend a helping hand to the extent of their ability in making the fair a success. Booths will be erected for the sale of fancy work and refreshments will be served each evening. Prof Mills' orchestra will furnish music for dancing every evening throughout the week.

For bracing up the nerves, purifying the blood and curing sick headache and dyspepsia, there is nothing equal to Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Life's Mistakes.

Somebody has condensed the mistakes of life and arrived at the conclusion, that there are fourteen of them. The greatest of all mistakes is to allow a simple cough or cold to take its course which always ends in death, check it in time and save life by use of Puritan Cough and Consumption Cure. Price 25 cents. Trial bottle free at Frank R. Foster's drug store.

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Physicians have used Speer's wine and having applied to it the strictest test known to chemistry, they do not hesitate to pronounce it a pure wine of medium strength, and recommend it to be of great advantage to the aged and infirm, also in low and typhoid fevers Speer's wine will be found very superior.

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Since the introduction of the Famous Puritan Cough and Consumption Cure in this vicinity the death rate from consumption has decreased wonderfully, it never fails to effect a cure. Price 25 cts. Try it. Trial bottle free.

Dr. Lee's Liver Regulator has done more to relieve the suffering of mankind than all other medicines, it cures all stomach and liver troubles. Trial bottles free at Frank R. Foster's drug store.

The Teachers' Association.

KANE, April 16.—The McKean County Teachers' Annual Association met in this borough on Thursday, Friday and Saturday last, and was a grand success in every particular. Half of the teachers in the county turned out to attend the association, besides teachers and educators from Elk, Warren and Venango counties. Among the prominent visitors were C. J. Swift, county superintendent of Elk, D. C. Murphy, superintendent of Ridgway schools, H. N. Miller, principal Sheffield schools, B. R. Kline, principal Wilcox schools, Prof. Grimes, principal Limestone schools, Miss Alice Hahn of Warren, a primary teacher of rare ability. A greater number of teachers from outside the county visited the association than ever before.

An exceptionally fine programme was arranged for the day sessions and the exercises of the evenings were among the best ever enjoyed by the teachers of McKean county. Thursday evening D. H. Wheeler, LL. D. president of Allegheny college, delivered a lecture on the "Memories of Italy." Friday evening a musical and literary entertainment was given. The talents secured for this occasion, Miss Belle McClintock soprano soloist, Annie Smith, pianist, Miss Maud Moriarty, elocutionist, and Newton D. Hawkins, violinist, gave one of the most highly appreciated entertainments ever listened to by a Kane audience. T

EVERYBODY'S COLUMN

Items of Interest Gathered from Various Sources by the Man With the Shears.

—Go to M. Rosenfield's for clothes.

—Farm to rent. Apply to A. Reilly.

—Carpets in exchange for wool at the Furniture and Carpet Store

—For wall paper, go to Reilly's Furniture and Carpet store.

—Blooded sheep for sale. Enquire of A. Reilly, Smethport, Pa.

—A big line of clothing for men and boys at M. Rosenfield's Main street

—Cortland county creamery butter can be found at J. H. Stull's meat market, East Smethport, Pa.

—A car load of choice timothy and clover seed just received at W. D. Gallup's dry goods Store

—Apples and potatoes at lowest market rates kept constantly on hand at J. H. Stull's East Smethport, Pa

—The teachers in the Clarion Normal School take a personal interest in the welfare of the students. This accounts in part for the good feeling pervading the institution

—The Clarion Normal School is winning favor everywhere, on account of the thorough work the students can do who have taken a course there

—G. J. Smith has purchased a dray in connection with his ice business and persons requiring haulage would do well to give him a call

—A car load of choice timothy and clover seed just received at W. D. Gallup's dry goods Store

—The handsomest wall paper ever brought to Smethport can be seen at Specht & Sasse's Furniture rooms

—If you want pictures framed in the latest styles call at Specht and Sasse's Furniture rooms Main Street, Smethport.

—Families, jobbers and everybody can be supplied with fresh and salt meats promptly upon application at Stull's, East Smethport, Pa

—A car load of choice timothy and clover seed just received at W. D. Gallup's dry goods Store

—Lazador is largely used as a corrective for liver blood affections, as well as for those of the bowels and stomach. Druggists sell it for 25 cents

—"My child was affected just like yours Mrs. B. and Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup gave it almost immediate relief. I would surely give it a trial."

—Wanted, a girl to do general house work. For information apply at the residence of Mrs. J. C. Backus, Main St

—Go to J. G. Hall, of Port Allegany, Pa. for all kinds of flooring, ceiling, wainscoting, siding, wood turning, mouldings, etc. Pike lever handles a specialty 8tf

—Itch, Mange and Scratches on human or animals cured in 30 minutes by Woolford's Sanitary Lotion. This never fails. Sold by A. B. Armstrong druggist, Smethport 26 42 1y

—Before buying your wall paper examine the stock in the Furniture and Carpet store. It is the most artistic paper ever offered for sale in this town. We have no old out of date wall paper to pawn off on the people. Our prices we guarantee as low as any city

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—The doctors are very much displeased over a competitor who is gradually stealing their best practice. We mean Dr. Bull's cough syrup

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Invitation to the Tenth International Medical Congress

In accordance with the decision of the Ninth Congress, at Washington the Tenth International Medical Congress will be held at Berlin from the 4th to the 9th of August, 1890. We have the honor to inform you that we are now ready to sell you and your friends cheap excursion tickets at special rates for physicians, by the Hamburgh-American Packet Co.'s Express service. We will sell you first-class tickets from New York to Berlin and back for only $90. Just think of it! This is your golden opportunity to go to Europe. For further information address,

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J. P. Hoffman in his new gallery on Union St., near Main. Ground floor, north light and first-class work

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria,
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria,
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria,
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

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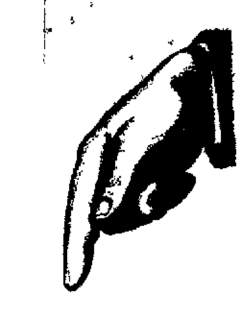
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1890—SPRING AND SUMMER—1890

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Smethport, April 18th 1890 —tf

VISIONS OF SPRING.

After four months of gloomy, dreary, unseasonable weather, who does not appreciate bright, beautiful sunshine? With it come visions of spring flowers, and fields and forests, and all nature attired as she alone can perfectly do. With it comes the robin red breast, as the advance guard of regiments of feathered songsters. With it comes into the heart new hopes, new desires, new ambitions, new determinations to so scatter the seed as to bring an abundant harvest. With it comes thoughts of our own needs. Heavy garments must soon be discarded. We have visions of bright, fresh pretty calico dresses and aprons for the children, or some of the new combinations of checks in ginghams, classes and criterion cloths, of which the variety seems inexhaustible, or the more plain, but no less durable seersuckers. For Sunday or occasional wear, challies are desirable, light, cheap, with such beautiful sprigs and flowers so natural one almost thinks they "growed." The older ones too must have something new, for how can one fully enjoy the bright new robes put on by every tree and shrub, unless they have coverings suitable to the season? The popular satteens makes some of the prettiest, inexpensive dresses imaginable. Yes, one must have a sateen, or some, perhaps, would prefer the Bombay draperies, lighter in color, thinner in texture, in which to take tea. Some of us need a nice Henrietta, in black or colors. If we buy these we want something good. It don't pay to make up cheap Henriettas. Another says I can buy an all wool serge in almost any of the new spring shades, good width for 50 cents a yard, that will do me a good deal of service, being a little heavier and not so fine as Henriettas. Another expects to travel some. She must have something that is stylish in appearance, does not catch dust, will not shrink or crinkle and can be cleaned if accidentally soiled. The Jamestown alpacas which are shown in great variety, or the brilliantines which good sense forced fashion to bring out again, will suit her. Still another thinks she wants material for a "hack" dress, plain color, medium weight, that she ought to buy for 25 cents in 36 inch wide. It is probable she will also be suited. To go with dresses must be numberless items of white goods, gloves, hosiery, ribbons, shoes, corsets, &c., to complete a child's, misses' or ladies' toilet, and she wonders if she can anywhere find a better assortment or lower prices, quality considered, than at

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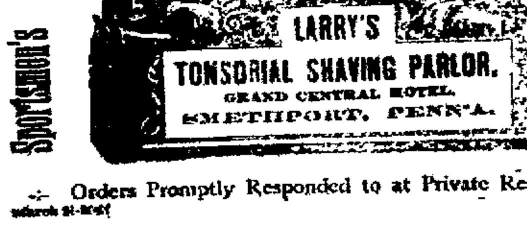
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[illegible] of Agricultural Products [illegible] Foreign Market—Values [illegible] Free-ge Competition—What Free-[illegible] Does for the Farmer.

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[illegible] of the American farmers [illegible] having him found in [illegible] production of other coun-[illegible] which we have no control. The [illegible] now [illegible] America and elsewhere, [illegible] a small frac-[illegible] what our farm is have to [illegible] can be had for a [illegible] are the sole reasons.

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[illegible] his simple and primitive [illegible] to admit that [illegible] in my judgment [illegible] with those of the [illegible] the product of wheat. [illegible] to many, the [illegible] when you take into [illegible] that the Indian [illegible] represents a capital [illegible] more than $50 or $60, and his hired [illegible] require any) can and [illegible] feed and clothe himself, ac-[illegible] to the Indian fashion, for an [illegible] wheat growing [illegible] about $3 50 per month."

[illegible] Democratic authority, and [illegible] as [illegible] available, it [illegible] on an inquiry on the part [illegible] farmer, where is he [illegible] and market for his produce [illegible] at home?

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[illegible] the foreign market cannot be [illegible] upon by the farmer for the dis-[illegible] surplus produce [illegible] must have a Protective [illegible] to control the home [illegible] and he secures a living com-[illegible] for the value of his labor.

"If, then, a tariff is needed as a direct protection for the farmer, how much more is it needed to retain, secure and build up for him a reliable home market, and which he has absolutely under his control?

The Free-trader holds up to the farmer some garment and says to him that were it not for our iniquitous tariff it might be purchased for less money, and then says to him, You have been robbed by just so much as the tariff on that article, what the farmer needs is Free-trade.

Though the assertions be false in fact, yet with this he stops.

The inquiring farmer asks him what he means by Free-trade. He answers that he wants the privilege of going into the markets of the world and buying what he wants where he can get it cheapest, and of bringing it home without having to pay a duty to the government thus greatly enhancing its cost.

But this is not all. Were that the end of Free-trade, were there no evil consequences to follow, we might be led to welcome it.

But what means Free-trade but to buy abroad what we now buy at home?

A shipload of foreign made goods is brought into our markets for sale. It may be of clothing.

The material is wool from sheep grown in Australia or Buenos Ayres, in South America. It means also 10,000 days of labor taken from the laboring people of this country and given to foreigners. The money paid for the cargo has gone abroad instead of being retained at home in the channels of trade. The day laborers of this country have just so much less purchasing power to buy the necessaries of life for themselves and families.

This system continued, and the hundreds of thousands of them now engaged in manufacturing industries, with their families, are driven to other means of support. No vocation is open to them except to become producers, and hence those who are now consuming the farmers' surplus products become, instead producers themselves.

There is no vocation more vulnerable to the evils of Free-trade today than that of agriculture in the United States.

The history of our country shows it. The condition of the world outside affirms it, and statistics, though dry and uninteresting, with observation, reading and common sense, prove it.

The Never Satisfied Free-Traders.

For months past the Free-traders have been telling us and our farmers that they have not had sufficient Protection. That while the manufacturer has been reaping the profits accruing from a high tariff the farmer has been fooled and has been awarded with a tariff on his products that amounted to little or nothing and afforded him no Protection whatever.

Well, we are always glad to receive points from our Free-trade friends and being convinced that our agricultural interests have been [illegible] protection to certain products, the framers of the new tariff bill have increased the duty on some and put a duty on others before on the free list. But our Free-traders are no more satisfied than before. They cry now that the necessaries of life are to be taxed, etc. Truly the cost of it and the [illegible] are hard to please. It would be a [illegible] but [illegible] of our industries [illegible] of farm factory and free-[illegible] would bring joy and gladness to the advocates of British Free-trade.

Let Us Honor John Roach.

Mahlon Chance says that the only [illegible] the best work of this administration is to have Secretary Tracy build a mighty man-of-war planned by that Yankee genius which gave us the Puritan and Mayflower to be built by American workmen out of American iron, steel, brass, copper and wood, with sails made in American looms, manned with American guns and American seamen, and when completed, to break a bottle of American wine and christen this noble ship John Roach that the world might see that America is a more her industrial princes, even as England has.

Free-trade doesn't even profess regard for the wages of artisans, and is based wholly upon the idea of supplying the demands of the consumer at the lowest cost. How the artisans which delve in mines and work in mills and factories are fed and housed, educated and paid does not concern it.—Sioux City Herald.

WHY ENGLAND HAS FREE TRADE.

What She Is Doing to Get the American Market.

The only example of so-called Free-trade today among the civilized people of the earth is England, and a moment of reflection gives a sound reason why she adopted the plan.

Her climate is uniform. Her latitude is limited, what mountains and forests are comparatively unknown.

In 1881 the population of England, Scotland and Ireland combined was 35,246,000, and their whole area only 121,571 square miles, an average population of 290 to the square mile, while our population averages but fourteen to the square mile.

England cannot be independent except by importing from abroad. The people within the narrow limits of her island home teeming with humanity and factories and little else, she is driven by force of necessity to manufacturing more than her own people consume that she may have something with which to buy food for her people.

She imports nothing comparatively, that could be supplied in sufficient quantities at home. She has no broad fields on which may grow sufficient wheat and corn and cattle and hogs, where may grow the cotton, rye, barley and oats necessary to supply her population.

The most of these are her she must buy abroad.

Her imports average about two billions of dollars per year, while we, with nearly double her population, import but about seven hundred and fifty millions per year.

Upon the eight hundred millions of dollars in value she imports for food annually, and six hundred and fifty millions of raw material for her factories, she levies no import duties, because she cannot produce them herself, and they do not compete with or break down home industries.

To buy her food and raw materials where she can buy them the cheapest, and to find a dumping ground for the product of her pauper labor, is her chief solicitude.

To our own fair land she looks with longing eyes. She sees our millions of happy homes spread out upon our millions of square miles, our mighty possibilities, our purchasing power, our cottages of laboring men with carpeted floors and pictured walls, tables with food, and wives at home instead of the factory or in the mine, and children at school instead of labor.

She waits for the day when our laboring men shall be forced to compete with hers in wages or find other employment, for the day when she can make the United States her marketing place for manufactured articles; and to such an end she spends her money in educating the sentiment of our people.

To that end the English Cobden club was formed, composed of most of the members of the British parliament, English cabinet ministers, British manufacturers and Free-traders in this country.

To that end their millions of Free-trade pamphlets are circulated here. Prize essays on Free-trade at Oxford and Cambridge universities in England are distributed here in any manner so that they may reach our people and be read by them.

Free-trade may or may not be wise policy for England, but it would be disastrous, if not death, to our diversified industries.

To England we are pointed as the only example of Free-trade to be found among the civilized nations.

The experience of the world has demonstrated its folly in other nations, and benefiting by that experience they have all of them protective tariffs, protecting their people and their industries. During the last few years many of them have been increasing their tariff rates upon imports to give even greater Protection than they enjoyed before.

France and Germany, after suffering the blighting effects of Free-trade for many years, have gone back to Protection, and even the agricultural industries of England are clamoring for it.

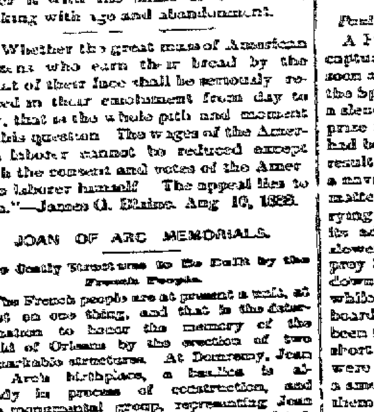
In the face of history, against all the experience of the centuries in the old world, counter to the admonition of all our greatest statesmen from Washington down to, but not including Grover Cleveland, in the light of our most wonderful progress under Protection, blinded to all of these, the wiseacres of the Democratic party would now plunge this nation into a cesspool of industrial stagnation and cover it with the slime of Free-trade, stinking with age and abandonment.

"Whether the great mass of American citizens who earn their bread by the sweat of their face shall be seriously reduced in their emolument from day to day, that is the whole pith and moment of this question. The wages of the American laborer cannot be reduced except with the consent and votes of the American laborer himself. The appeal lies to him."—James G. Blaine. Aug 10, 1888.

JOAN OF ARC MEMORIALS.

Two Costly Structures to Be Built by the French People.

The French people are at present a unit, at least on one thing, and that is the determination to honor the memory of the Maid of Orleans by the erection of two remarkable structures. At Domremy, Joan of Arc's birthplace, a basilica is already in process of construction, and the monumental group, representing Joan listening to the voices, has been completed. At Vaucouleurs a more ambitious memorial is to rise. It will be a colossal castle of medieval design. The donjon above the castle will be 150 feet high and at the summit it is intended to place a gigantic group, of which Joan shall be the central figure. The Vaucouleurs enterprise involves the collection of an enormous sum of money, but contributions are being liberally made, and it is thought the needed sum will be realized within a reasonable time. The Domremy memorial displays Joan as receiving her mission, the other is to represent her as the warrior maid who saved France.



LISTENING TO THE VOICES.

A Man with a Charmed Life.

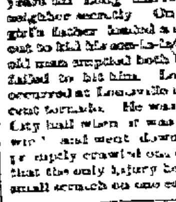
Lawrence Long, a young man who resides at Jeffersonville, Ind., has had at least three escapes from death of a most remarkable nature. When a lad he fell off the Louisville bridge and "spite the terrific tumble did not receive scratch or bruise his only damage being a thorough wetting. When 17 years old Long married the daughter of a neighbor secretly. On hearing the news, the girl's father loaded a shot gun and started out to kill his son-in-law. They met and the old man emptied both barrels at the boy, but failed to hit him. Long's latest adventure occurred at Louisville in the night of the great tornado. He was in the ill fated Falls City hall when it was struck by the whirlwind and went down with the wreck. He was rapidly crawled out of the ruins and found that the only injury he had sustained was a small scratch on one ear.

Emin to Remain in Africa.

"The charm of Africa," that mysterious spell which lures back to the jungles and the forests of the dark continent every explorer who has once set foot upon its soil, remains potent in the case of Emin Pasha. He has faced danger and death for years in the Soudan and in the equatorial belt, and his rescue was a feat in which all the world took interest. But he cannot even more beyond the influence of the magic power that holds him. He has a [illegible] proposal visit to Europe [illegible] May [illegible] exploring expedition and is preparing once again to plunge into the mighty wilderness of Central Africa.

Sixty Years a Sailor.

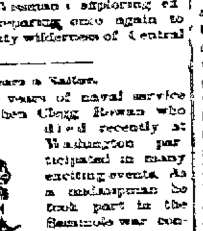
During his sixty years of naval service Vice Admiral Stephen Clegg Rowan who died recently at Washington participated in many exciting events. As a midshipman he took part in the Seminole war conducting boat expeditions and engaging in [illegible] on shore. As lieutenant he served in the coast survey was executive officer of the sloop Cyane in the Pacific squadron and during the Mexican war was present at the capture of Monterey and San Diego. On blockade duty in the Gulf of California the Cyane captured a score of Mexican vessels and destroyed several gunboats. At the victories of San Gabriel and La Mesa Rowan was wounded in the shoulder. He espoused the cause of the north on the breaking out of the civil war, saw much active service, and at the end of the conflict had attained the rank of rear admiral. He was promoted to vice admiral while in command of the Asiatic squadron in 1868. He was a native of Ireland, and was 81 years old at the time of his death.



VICE ADMIRAL ROWAN.

The Eighth One to Go.

Eight representatives have died since the election of members of the Fifty-first congress—four from each party. The last to pass away was Hon. David Wilber, who expired recently at his home in Milford, N. Y. He never occupied his seat in the house during the present session because of illness. The oath of office was administered at his home at the same time Samuel J. Randall also an invalid, was sworn in, and the two men remained paired until Mr Wilber's death.



HON. DAVID WILBER.

Mr Wilber was born in Schenectady county, N Y, in 1820. In childhood he removed to Milford, in Otsego county. He was a Republican in politics, and represented Herkimer, Otsego and Schoharie counties in the Twenty-fourth congressional district—in the Forty-third, Forty-sixth and Fiftieth congresses, and was re-elected to the Fifty-first congress. In private business he was a banker and a hop grower.

"A humanitarian bull fight" was one of the recent attractions at Birmingham, England. Convenient recesses were provided in which the bull fighters might take refuge whenever the bull's wrath was aroused. The game of tag continued for some time, and afforded healthy exercise to the men and also to the animal. No blood was spilled.

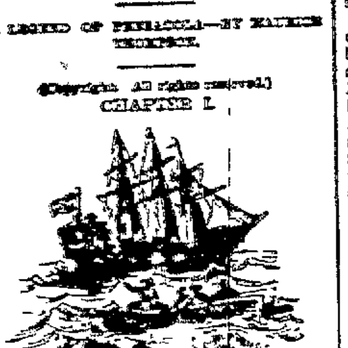
To Judge James V. Campbell, who died recently at Detroit, Michigan undoubtedly owes much for the present condition of her statute books. For thirty years Mr Campbell occupied a place on the bench of the state supreme court, and during that period was nine times chief justice.

IN LOVE'S HANDS.

A LEGEND OF PENSACOLA—BY MAURICE THOMPSON.

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CHAPTER I.



Pauline de la Chasse rose to the surface.

A French vessel bound for Mobile was captured and sunk by a Spanish cruiser soon after the recapture of Pensacola by the Spanish fleet in 1719. One prisoner, a slender and beautiful girl, was the only prize secured by the victors. The fight had been a close and deadly one, with a result not uncommon in those days when a naval engagement at best was a mere matter of broadsides and boarding. Carrying fewer guns and lighter ones than its adversary, and withal being much slower, the French vessel fell an easy prey to its vigorous adversary. It went down with its colors flying, however, while the Spaniards were in the act of boarding it, but before this the deck had been so raked by cannon and muskets at short range that the brave little crew were nearly all killed, so that it was but a smoke grimed and bloody handful of them that cheered pluckily as they sank in twenty fathoms of green gulf water.

Pauline de la Chasse was saved from the fate of the vessel's crew by one of those strange chances which now and again inject into real life the most impossible appearing elements of romance. She had rushed upon the deck, wild and disheveled, just as the ship lurched forward to go down. A young Spanish officer, bearing the honored name of Cortes, saw her, and this lovely apparition, hovering in the smoke of the last terrible broadside, impressed him deeply. His imagination, like that of most youthful adventurers who were sailing the seas at that time, was a most inflammable one, ready to flare up vividly at every touch of the new, the strange or the beautiful. What could appeal more forcibly or more directly to the heart of such a youth at such a moment than the vision of a young girl, lithe slender, lovely, with white arms outspread, yellow brown hair afloat on the breeze, her pale face upturned, and her garments fluttering wildly, running across the bloody, corpse strewn deck of the sinking vessel against which he had just been directing his guns? Indeed, so much was he affected, he started forward and stretched forth his hands as if to reach and save her.

Not one of the stalwart French sailors was ever seen again after the water closed over the ill fated vessel, but the beautiful and frightened young girl, Pauline de la Chasse, rose to the surface and with her long, wet hair clinging close to her shapely shoulders and girlish bust, was seen tossing about on the short chopping waves. In some way her clothes had caught hold on a fragment of spar, so that she had been kept afloat. Fortunately her instinct of self preservation had over borne her fear at the critical moment. With desperate eagerness and energy she clung to the bit of buoyant wood and was able to keep her head above the foam and spray of the noisy and tumbling waves, albeit she was scarcely aware of what she was doing.

Cortes, whose habit was to spend no time in deliberating at the point of an emergency, called for men and quickly had a boat lowered. In a few minutes the girl in a semi-conscious condition, was on board the Spanish vessel, where she received every kind attention that chivalrous men could offer under the circumstances. The shock to her nerves had been very great, not only on account of the terrible nature of the engagement and the results following it but more on account of the peculiar conditions under which she had left France to go to the obscure little garrison at Mobile, on the then wild southern coast of America.

In those days love was something to live for and to die for. To be young and in love meant that along with the youth and love went a certain romantic devotion which would turn aside for no obstacle, hesitate at no sacrifice. Man and woman, youth and maiden felt that to go to the end of the world for love's sake was at need the noblest of all tasks, the highest and holiest of all duties. The influence of chivalry was still alive and although the formalities of olden knighthood had mostly passed away forever, there lingered in the world, especially among the young and the brave, a spirit of honor which demanded extraordinary exactitude in the matter of keeping promises, and especially those promises bound by the golden thread of love.

Pauline de la Chasse at the time of the disaster to the vessel that bore her was on her way to join her soldier lover, one Louis Doucet, whose fortune had called him to Mobile. It would be very interesting, if space and the scope of this story would permit it, to go back and give the details of this romantic love affair, which budded in the fairest part of southern France, at one of the old towns whose ruins date beyond the time when the pope had his home in Provence, and whose roses are still the very ones of which the troubadours raved. We must be content, however, to trace the American part of what must always remain one of the most noteworthy strains of romance connected with the settlement of our southern coast.

The grave historian, who seems whatever is not dry as dust, runs over what he looks upon as mere incident, and he turns aside from anything romantic or touched with sentiment, as though he feared some lurking infection which might enliven his blood and send a thrill of poetry into his book must clouded mind. Still it is true that, to the large majority of readers, these personal incidents, these bits of romance that form the neglected fringe of history, are the very parts of the past which are most interesting. Pauline de la Chasse's experience certainly may claim the attention of this liberal majority. It was a great undertaking in those days for a young girl not yet 20 to set sail with a crew of soldier seamen to go from France to America, yet this girl did it, as is well attested by records not to be disputed.

After a long voyage, during which the vessel encountered many storms, and was blown far southward of its proper course, it must have been almost unbearable, even to the rough crew, to see a powerful Spanish vessel bearing down upon them just at a time when the end of all their dearest seemed almost in sight, but to poor Pauline de la Chasse it was like plunging into the black pit of utter despair. The shock struck her with the force of a thousand deaths, and yet she lived. In hearts like hers, so long as life remains, there a loyalty of the most precious sort and there is faith, which, though it may not give strength, affords a courage that meets everything with silent endurance. Pauline had already gone through experiences sufficient to have broken the will of almost any woman; but she loved Louis Doucet, and her love was strong enough to bear her up, even in the dreadful moment when the sea was ready to swallow her, and it sustained her in the still more trying scenes which followed her rescue.

The Spanish vessel, after its victory over its French foe, immediately put into Pensacola, which was then the stronghold of the Spaniards in Florida. Pauline, more dead than alive, was taken by Cortes to the house of his friend, Don Alphonso de Salcedo, the wealthiest citizen of the place, where she was cared for most tenderly by Don Alphonso's wife, who, childless herself, felt at once a mother's sympathy for this fragile and beautiful girl brought to her out of the sea.

For nearly a month Pauline was very ill, and as there was no competent physician in the place it was good nursing, aided by a nature possessed of great vital energy, that brought her back at last to safe convalescence and to full sense of the terrible trial through which she had passed. Then came the realization of what to her was worse than death—the fact that she had failed to reach Mobile, failed to find her waiting lover and that instead of consummating her one all absorbing desire she had lost everything by falling into the hands of her country's enemies, against whom Louis Doucet was proudly bearing arms.

She found herself in a strangely appointed room, where the rudest workmanship in walls and floor was contrasted with pieces of furniture whose carving and cushions attested the most cunning and costly art of the old world. The couch upon which she lay was a marvel of luxury, while the window through which she looked out upon the beautiful, dreamy bay was no more than a square hole through the wall of rough pine logs. Evidently Don Alphonso was making his life at Pensacola one of far less hardship than might have been looked for in that wild little village, so long the rendezvous for corsair and buccaneer in the days when all the world was against Spain. From her delicately perfumed pillow Pauline could see some piratical looking vessels at anchor in the harbor and she could hear the confused noises of a busy garrison, intent upon completing some fortifications, not far away.

The breath of the early tropic summer strayed in, bearing the rich fragrance of roses and the fine aroma of the blooming acacia trees. Awaking as from a long dream, Pauline's first thought, after the sudden confusion of recollections had subsided, was that of resuming her journey toward her lover but soon enough the impossibility of such a thing rushed upon her mind with such force that with a piteous moan she sank again into a state of unconsciousness. At that sound a dark little woman quite past the prime of life and wrinkled enough to have been 60, came from behind a curtain which covered a narrow doorway, and hurried with soft, swift footfalls to the bedside. With a singularly kind and gentle expression she peered into the girl's face, touched her pale forehead with her thin sallow fingers, softly adjusted the rich coverings of the couch smoothed the pillows and then, with a catlike noiseless motion, slipped into a chair close by and assumed an attitude of expectant, solicitous watchfulness. Although she was the wife of Don Alphonso her face was French in all its features, and when at last Pauline returned again to consciousness it was the sweet accent of Provence that came to her ear.

"Dear little mademoiselle," it murmured tenderly "do you feel better now?"

A soft hand brushed with a cooling touch across her cheek and temple.

Pauline lifted her heavy lids to look into those deep set, insistent eyes that hung over her so inquiringly. The voice was soothing in a way and the hand was so motherly and comforting to one who, an orphan from childhood, was now so far away from every familiar sight or sound.

"Just a drop of this, my child," the lady added, letting fall a small liquid potion between the girl's parted lips. "You are much better now, dear, you are going to get well."

She took Pauline's bloodless hand and chafed it lightly with the caressing touch of a woman famishing for love and for something to love.

"Shut your sweet eyes, now, mademoiselle, and sleep a little more, just a little more, it will do you good."

Whether it was the liquid or whether the magnetic contact of those motherly hands and the lullaby like intonations of that [illegible] Pauline [illegible] into a gentle and refreshing sleep. Once or twice she stirred lightly and murmured "Yes Louis I am coming." The watching woman smiled strangely meantime and gazed with a dreamy reminiscent expression out over the bay to where the sun was gilding some vagrant gulf caps till they looked like vague floating domes of gold.

It is scarcely possible for one to realize now what a place Pensacola must have been for a refined and gentle woman to be caged in, the years have hurled us forward so far from those wild, lawless, freebooting days that we can think of them only as appearing hazily through a mist of romance. The reality was romantic indeed but it was harsh, cruel, painfully devoid of any high strain of endeavor, and withal brutally coarse, no matter how picturesque and interesting may have been its setting. Dona Hortense (thus we must name the wife of Don Alphonso) had felt to the last thrill the loneliness, the starvation of soul, the utter exile of the life which for years she had been compelled to accept. The coming of Pauline was to her at once a joy and a sorrow, for while it filled in a degree the void in her heart, it awakened to renewed life and activity the sympathies which for years had lain dormant, and made her feel how terrible would be the poor girl's sufferings in the life which must now come to her.

"Poor little dear," she murmured, gazing half sadly at the delicately chiseled face and laying her hand on the yellow brown hair. "Poor little dear, I wonder what play of fate brought you to this terrible place." After a long, thoughtful pause she added—"and I wonder what at last will become of you." She shook her head dolefully and covered her eyes with the finger and thumb of one hand as if to shut out some disagreeable vision.

A heavy footfall in the adjoining room gave warning of the approach of Don Alphonso.

"And how fares the mermaid by this time?"

The light voice and the stalwart gray bearded man came through the doorway together.

The woman put her finger on her lip and shook her head.

Don Alphonso stalked in with that easy and careless swagger which in all ages has marked the man without a conscience.

"Beautiful as a saint," he exclaimed, stopping himself in the middle of the room and looking with admiring eyes upon the girl's white face. "Capt. Cortes is a lucky dog to capture such a prize."

"For shame, Alphonso, for shame!" whispered the Dona. "You will wake the poor child, and then your words are brutal. Don't speak again, she must sleep."

Don Alphonso was not a soldier. He was an adventurer who had come to Spanish Florida ostensibly as the agent of a great trading company, so called; but in sober fact his business was to forward any scheme, lawful or unlawful, for gaining wealth. He was a very handsome man, and despite his wickedness had many traits attractive to women. His wife loved him passionately, but she had long since discovered that her power over him was not what it had been in the days of her prime when she was both beautiful and happy.

He stood quite still for some time with his gaze fixed steadily on Pauline's face. His features relaxed and their expression softened. It had been years since he had looked upon the face of a young and beautiful girl. The vision recalled his youth and the scenes of careless, happy idling in the companionship of the pure, the beautiful and the good.

"The Holy Mother bless the poor girl," he softly said. "She has found but a poor exchange for the bottom of the sea."

His wife looked up at him and a warm flush stole over her prematurely withered cheeks. She arose, and going to him, laid her hands on his strong shoulders and said

"My dear husband, we must save her; we must make her our child."

The man appeared to shake himself, as if drawing together his wits after a fit of abstraction. He smiled grimly, but not without a lingering tenderness as he responded

"You forget," he said trying to assume the swagger. "You forget that Capt. Cortes will have something to say in the matter." With this he turned and [illegible]

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Nature of Convulsion

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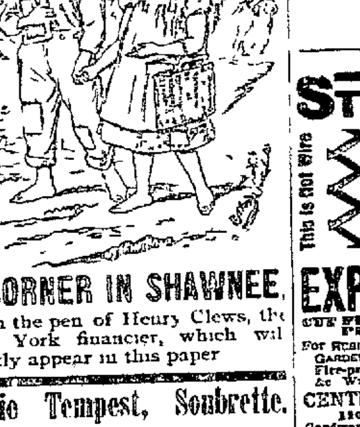
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